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MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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Mr. C. Sambiah Chettiar, Mylapore, subscription ..	1	8	0
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ADVAR, MADRAS, *20th August*, 1901. T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU, *Treasurer, T. S.*

THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR.

As the time for the close of our President's tour in the United States draws near, one begins to count the good results attained. From correspondents, generally, one gathers that the chief result has been a binding together of the members in the Branches, and of the Branches also, throughout the Section, with a decided stimulation to greater work, which is always a result of the Colonel's presence. Outside of the T. S. we find a change, also resulting from his tour; the more friendly attitude of the Press. Lectures have been reported, on the whole, in an unprejudiced way, but, of course, many curious statements have been printed, often resulting more from the reporter's ignorance on the subject than from any intention to misrepresent. From Muskegon, Saginaw, Lansing, Toledo, Cleveland, Dayton, Washington and Philadelphia we learn of crowded meetings and much enthusiasm, despite the fact that the country was suffering under a great heat, which made it very difficult for the members to get about. Even our Colonel, seasoned as he is to heat by his twenty-one years' residence in India, found the heat oppressive.

On the 27th of July, the President-Founder was to sail from Philadelphia for Southampton. From there, after a short stay in England, he was to go to Buenos Aires; then back to England, and home.

COLONEL OLCOTT'S FAREWELL MESSAGE.

[We print our President's farewell, as it appears in the official organ of the American Section.]

"As I have only one more station to visit before closing my American tour and turning my face toward the Atlantic Ocean, I wish to express through the *Messenger* my grateful thanks for the loving kindness and generous hospitality which I have received everywhere throughout the country. My special acknowledgments are due to my kind hosts and hostesses, and I regret that my engagements are such as to prevent me from addressing each personally in writing.

It appears to me, after this long circuit through many states, that my visit has been purposely put off until now by the Wise Ones who overlook our affairs, for the opposition, once so active, is crumbling away, and before long there will not be a vestige left of the great secession party which at one time came near sweeping the American Section out of existence. I know now from observation, how deep a debt the Society owes to Alexander Fullerton, George E. Wright, Kate Buffington Davis, and some others, for their loyal and courageous defence of the movement from its would-be destroyers. In human affairs the crisis always brings out the men to meet it; and surely this rule has been exemplified in our case.

I am encouraged as to the future of the American movement, for we have all over the country men and women thoroughly in earnest, and capable of every degree of self-sacrificing devotion. What is most needed is a small corps of workers who can give their whole time and services to the cause. Suitable persons for such work exist, but their circumstances prevent them from doing as they would wish; and so, until we have command of the necessary means to pay their expenses, and ensure the support of their dependents, we must go on as heretofore, with such help as we can get from volunteers.

I cannot too strenuously urge the policy of making expositions of Theosophy as simple as possible, avoiding all attempt at fine writing and fine talking, which only tickle the intellect for the time being; and encouraging everybody to put their knowledge into their lives as a guiding force. Theosophy as a working power can be made all potent, and can sweep over America like a tidal wave, if it is properly managed. I am rejoiced to know that my new personal friendships with the members of the American Section will hereafter bind us together in a golden chain of confidence and friendship. When I get back to Adyar I shall have many a precious memory of the tour of 1901.

H. S. OLCOTT.

WASHINGTON, D. C.
17th July, 1901.

NEW BRANCHES.

The General Secretary of the French Section reports the formation of two Branches at Geneva: "Dharma," President, the Countess Trozar, Secy. M. Ed. Metford, and the "Unité," Presidents Mme. A. Erath; Sec'y. Mlle. Taillefer.

AMERICAN BRANCHES.

Unity Lodge T. S., Pasadena, California, has changed its name to Pasadena Lodge T. S.

Two other Charters have been cancelled and Branches suppressed —Galesburg T.S., Galesburg, Ill., and Peoria T.S., Peoria, Ill. There are now 70 Branches in the American Section.

ALEXANDER FULLERTON,
General Secretary.

A CORRECTION.

Among the articles purporting to be reports of lectures by Col. Olcott, or interviews with him, we have, unfortunately, printed one in which occur certain statements that the Colonel informs us are incorrect. We refer to the one on "Mahatmas," in the June issue. The reporter may have got somewhat mixed in writing on such an unusual subject. The Editor-in-charge is extremely sorry that such a thing should have occurred.

PRIZES FOR ESSAYS ON CASTE.

We have been requested to state that two prizes of Rs. 100 each are offered by Jadunath Mozoomdar, M.A., B.L., Editor, *Hindu-Patrika*, and *Brahmacharin*, Jessore, Bengal, for the "best essays on Caste, one for and another against it. The essays may be written in English or Bengali. They should treat the subject from various standpoints, such as social, moral, religious, political, physical, economical, etc. They are also expected to defend or attack by the authority of the Hindu scriptures, from the Vedas down to the Puranas." Those who think Caste should be reformed may "indicate the lines on which it may be remodelled;" those who oppose Caste should state how they think it can be abolished without "renouncing the national religion." Competitors should forward their essays to the above address, on or before the 31st December, 1901.

MAHA-BODHI LITERARY SECTION.

In accordance with the scheme already set forth for the revival of the study of Pali Literature, the Maha-Bodhi Society has decided to open a Literary Section, the object of which will be (i) to transliterate the Pali Buddhist works into Devanagari and the other vernaculars of the country, together with their translations, (ii) to bring out popular editions of important Buddhist texts, with copious notes and explanations so that they may be read and understood by the people of this country and also (iii) to open a class for the study of Pali Literature (which will be converted into a regular Institution afterwards) at 2, Creek Row, where regular instructions will be given to the students who are willing to join. Pali is one of the classical languages of India, whose history can be traced so far back as six hundred years B. C. While every attempt has been made to revive and spread the Sanskrit language both by the people and the Government, we have, up to the present, neglected Pali, which has been the spoken language of India from remote antiquity and which for centuries together flourished in the whole of Upper India as the principal dialect which the people wrote and spoke. The subject was studied and cultivated in the ancient Universities of Nâlanda, Takkhasila, Udanta-pu-ri and Vikramsila, and patronised at the Courts of the different Kingdoms.

Though we have done nothing as yet to revive and bring to light this important literature which is contained in the Pali language, thanks to the exertions of the noble band of Orientalists, the subject has been fully appreciated and is being studied in the Universities of England, France, Germany, Russia and America. Pali literature has been almost a sealed literature to us. Our knowledge of the History of India is not at all complete without the knowledge of Pali. For brilliant records of the achievements of kings and princes, the interesting history of the manners and customs of the people, and a faithful account of the internal Government, are all to be met in this ancient literature. The language is important alike to the student of comparative religion, historian and philologist. Its study will at once reveal the glory of ancient Indian wisdom. The Society has undertaken the publication in Devanagari of Kaccâyana's Pali Grammar by Pandit Satish Chandra Vidhyabhushan, M. A., and Dhammapada and Suttanipata by Babu Charu Chandra Bose.

The University of Calcutta recognises Pali as one of the second languages in the Entrance, First Arts, B. A. and M. A. Examinations . . .

Those who may be willing to take up this important subject of study in any of their University Examinations are at once requested to communicate with the undersigned. Instructions will be given to lay students as well as to University Examination candidates. For the convenience of the latter the class will be held daily, (Sundays excepted) from 5 to 6 P. M. The tuition fee will be Rs. 2 per mensem for the students of the College Classes and Re. 1 for the students of the School Department. Competent Pali scholars will be in charge of the classes and the whole work will be supervised by a Committee.

To carry out the foregoing objects, *viz.*, undertaking the translation of important Pali works and bringing out popular editions of rare Buddhist books, and also establishing an institution where every facility may be given for the study of this classical language, would require at least two thousand rupees annually. The work will be purely of an unsectarian character. The chief aim of the Maha-Bodhi Literary Section is to give the educated public an opportunity to come in contact with this splendid literature which is an inexhaustible mine of knowledge and an immortal legacy handed down to us by the Sages of old. We ask for the help and co-operation of all who are interested in this work both in this country and in foreign lands. Donations for the furtherance of the cause will be gratefully received, and acknowledged in the *Maha-Bodhi Journal*. All communications on the subject should be addressed to the undersigned.

RAS BIHARI MUKARJI (UTTARPA'RA), BENGAL,
Honorary Secretary,
Maha-Bodhi Literary Section.

2, CREEK ROW, CALCUTTA.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

Periodicals: *S'astra Muktâvali*, Nos. 21 to 23; *The Pandit*, Nos. 7 and 8; and *Kâvyamâla*, Nos. 173 and 174.

Books and Pamphlets: "The relation of man to God," by A Schwarz; "The unseen world," by C. W. Leadbeater; "Man the master of his destiny," and "The Aryan type;" "A word on man, his nature and his powers;" "The Law of sacrifice;" "Des'avidha Brâhmaṇa S'âkha Vivavaraṇa;" "Moghul colour description of Agra, Part I;" "Report of the two-anna famine relief fund scheme;" "Dharma" "(Guzarati character);" "Omkâra *va* upakâra Sâgara" (Hindi); "Le Bouddha A-T-Il Existé?" By Lèon de Rosny; "De geheime correspondentie van Abraham de Wicquefort met den Franschen minister de Leinne," by C. F. Haje; The annual "Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology," 1895-'96, Part I; 1896-'97, Part I, and a descriptive catalogue of Sans. Mss. in the Library of Calcutta Sans. College, by Hrishikes'a S'âstri and S'iva Chandra Gui.

Minor works of S'rinivasa Makhi.

S'ivaguru Saundarya Sâgara Stava Sâhasrika; Simhapurîprasannâñjaneya S'atakam; Gururâja S'atakam; S'ivatândava Stava S'atakam; Hetirâja Stava S'atakam; Svarṇâkarshaṇa Chairava S'atakam; Chittaprabodhana S'atakam; Prâtasmaraṇa S'atakam: S'âradâ dvis'ati, Prâkrita Sumamanjarî; S'aradâmbâ S'atakam; Vidhi Jugupsana S'atakam; Vairâgya Kâmadhenu.

S'ataka I. Janana Jugupsana;
Do. II. Bâlya do;
Do. III. Yauvana do;
Do. IV. Jarâ do;
Do. V. Yâtana do;

Mahâbhairava S'atakam; Vijnapti S'atakam; Yogi bhoji Samvâda S'atakam; A'raṇyakânubhava S'atakam; Kaliparidevana S'atakam; and S'ri Jagatgurudhâma Seva S'atakam; Subhadrârjunam, Malayalam drama.

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GENERAL REPORT

OF THE

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AND CONVENTION

OF THE

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,

HELD AT BENARES, INDIA,

DECEMBER 27TH AND 28TH, 1900,

WITH OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS.

The first Convention of the Society at Benares, under the new system of biennial meetings alternately at the Society's headquarters at Adyar, and the headquarters of the Indian Section at Benares, the adoption of which was announced by the President-Founder in 1898, was held on the 27th December and the Society's Twenty-fifth Anniversary in the Central College Hall, on the following day. The necessity for the change of custom has been already explained: India is so vast a country, our Branches are so scattered over the whole area and their members so poor, that the Northern Branches find it impracticable to send Delegates to Adyar, while those of Southern India are equally prevented from participating in the meetings of both the Society and Indian Section when they are held at Benares: by alternating the meetings between these two centres, each group of Branches is enabled to assist at them once in two years, and thus all are fairly treated.

The attendance of Delegates on this occasion was large and enthusiastic, and once more as in 1898, the President-Founder's heart was rejoiced to meet so many old and dear colleagues and to receive their filial greetings. To the onlooker it was delightful to see the affection shown him in their salutations. The names of 140 Delegates were written in the Register.

The noble conception of Mrs. Besant of a Central Hindu College is rapidly taking shape, and one can see that the experiment is to be an unqualified success. The College building, and those of the Indian Section, the Boarding House for students, the T.P.S., the Sub-Post Office, and for officers' quarters are built or nearly completed, and a swarm of coolies are bringing materials to the masons and carpenters, the sound of whose trowels, hammers and saws gives

evidence of intense work going on. Mrs. Besant's private bungalow, which is also the joint property and residence of the Countess Wachtmeister and Mr. Bertram Keightley, is all finished and makes a very comfortable dwelling. The venerable Mrs. Lloyd, and Dr. Richardson, Principal of the College, are also living there at present. The formal sessions of the Society and Indian Section, were supplemented by Mrs. Besant's usual four lectures, before the Convention, and meetings of the E.S.T., a number of conversational meetings conducted by Mrs. Besant, and lectures by Dr. Richardson on "Vibrations," with experimental illustrations; Mr. Harry Banbery, on "Visualisation as an art in teaching and learning;" Babu Jagadish Chandra Chatterji, on "India in the West;" and by Mr. K. Narayanaswami Iyer. The President-Founder was obliged to leave for home on the 30th December so as to prepare things at headquarters for his departure on tour, so he and Dr. English, Rec. Sec., who returned with him, missed Mrs. Besant's fourth lecture on "Womanhood" much to their regret. They brought away from Benares, however, very pleasant recollection of the entirely successful Convention and Anniversary of 1900. On the opening day of the Section's sessions, the President-Founder supported an appeal of the General Secretary for a sum large enough to finish the Sectional headquarters building and obtained subscriptions to the amount of about Rs. 7,800: more than was needed.

The President's Address.

Brethren and fellow-workers: If, at each recurrent anniversary of our Society in the past, we have mutually congratulated each other on the fact that we had been spared another year to work on and struggle towards our goal, how much more jubilant ought we not to be to-day, when we close the first quarter-century of our labors, and pass into the second period with the Society strong, vital, overflowing with energy, and full of reasonable hope for the future. Twenty-five years of activity, of vicissitudes, of failures and successes, of paramount victory behind us: a step on the path: a milestone by the roadside; an episode—and glorious one—in the cyclic evolutionary progress of each one of us; an ample season of sowing of the seed of good Karma, from which we must reap rich harvests hereafter. This period has brought the Society from its cradle to its time of adolescence, and vindicated its title to be considered as the friend of religion, of good morals, of intellectual development, a prominent social factor of our epoch, to be taken into account by the future historian. This is what to-day's gathering recalls to mind, this the panorama which memory is unrolling as we look inward upon the soul of our theosophical movement. Around me are men who have been my co-workers from almost the beginning of our Indian career, men who joined the Society, in 1879 and 1880; but they are few. Some of the noblest, most devoted, most

unselfish, have left us grieving for the loss of their companionship, yet not bereft of hope of future epochs of joint labour for the good of humanity. And of the survivors, which of us elders shall see the completion of the second quarter-century? The Convention will be held, but who shall preside over it, and who listen to his semi-centennial address? At least we know this, that Those who guide the movement will not let it die for lack of workers, and that our places when left vacant will be filled by others who, through many past rebirths, have been preparing themselves for service when wanted. Have we not had proof enough of this law of demand and supply, when we see how the torch, as it dropped from the dead hand of my co-founder, H. P. B., was snatched up by Annie Besant and carried on in the forefront of the battle? Have we not seen new workers stepping forward to fill vacancies made by the deaths of predecessors? Have we not seen new laborers coming forward to cultivate and harvest in every new field which the progress of the movement has opened out—in India, Great Britain, France, Spain, Scandinavia, Holland, the Colonies, the United States, South America, Hawaii, Japan, and other parts of the world? Have we ever seen the movement receive more than momentary checks from lack of helpers? No, as one valiant soul falls, another replaces him, and fresh writers, teachers, lecturers and organisers present themselves as their names are called along the corridors of time, and the bell of their ripened Karma rings out their signals.

My thought goes back to that small gathering in New York city on the 17th November 1875, and the scene unfolds before me. A small Hall, dimly lighted, with a small platform at one end, and book-cases lining the walls of the room, which belonged to another society occupying the room. A handful of thoughtful men and women, most of them since deceased, who created the nucleus out of which was to evolve this now majestic movement; they, ignorant of the future and planning for only the misty present. Some still live, and one of them, who heard my Inaugural Address, attended my lectures in the city of Nice last March, and told my audience about that first meeting of the Theosophical Society; how interesting an experience to me, you may imagine.

It will interest you all to know the progressive stages by which our membership has spread over the world, so I have classified the several countries within periods of five years each, as follows:

Spread of the T. S. Movement throughout the world.

(Classified according to Quinquennial Periods).

The Society was founded at New York, U. S. A., in 1875, and its membership has spread throughout the world as follows:

1875-1880: England; Greece; Russia: India; Ceylon; Scotland.

1880-1885: United States of America (Charters from India); Ireland; Java; British Borneo.

1885-1890: Sweden; Japan; Australian Continent; Philippine Islands; Austria; Tasmania.

1890-1895: New Zealand; Holland; Norway; Denmark; Spain; Germany; Argentine Republic; France; Dominion of Canada; Hawaiian Islands; Bohemia; Canary Islands; Bulgaria; China.

1895-1900: Switzerland; Italy; Belgium; South Africa; British Columbia; British West Indies; Nicaragua, C. A.; Cuba; Mexico; Egypt; Finland; Algeria.

Making, in all, 42 countries.

The geographical boundaries of the movement are as follows: from Latitude 66·5, N. to Latitude 46, S., and all round the globe. In English miles the distance between the Northern and Southern boundaries is 7,919 miles.

Think of this, my brothers. Take the map of the world and see how we have gradually sent our ideas and our influence from land to land, and across ocean after ocean. Yet the work has but begun, its active development is to come within the next quarter-century, its completion lies far off, in the dim distance of the future. Since we have proved faithful until now, we may certainly count on returning to the work in our next rebirth; for the Lords of Karma need trained agents and sub-agents, and will doubtless give us the chance for such further service as our evolved capacities fit us to perform. Even thus have many of us, who were linked together in world-service in previous countries and epochs, been drawn together now in the Theosophical Society; for so turns the wheel of Karma, and thus are gathered together those between whom stretch the unbreakable ties of associations, of sympathies, of karmic relationships Thus were H.P.B. and I brought together in this birth and allowed to feel the old threads of love and loyalty which had tied us together in many past existences. Thus, too, shall we and all of you meet again and work together in the future. Our present concern should be to lay the foundations of our Society as deep and strong as those of the Pyramids, so that like them, it may endure from age to age, a monument to our fidelity, a beacon for the helping of the world.

The present moment is one when we should study the statistics of our corporate growth, and make them the guides of our future action. We first note that the growth of the past twelvemonth has been greater than it was in the previous one, thirty-six new Branches having been chartered as compared with twenty-eight between December 1898, and December 1899. Following is the table of charters issued between 1878—before which none was granted—and 1900, inclusive:—

CHARTERS ISSUED BY THE T. S. TO THE CLOSE OF 1900.

1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898	1899	1900
1	2	10	25	52	95	107	124	136	158	179	206	241	279	304	352	394	408	428	492	542	570	607

NEW BRANCHES.

America has added ten new Branches to our list, during the past year ending November 1st, and seven of her former Branches have been dissolved.

India has added fifteen new Branches to the list of her Section and ten dormant ones have been revived.

The European Section has formed seven new Branches, and one charter has been given up.

The Australasian Section has added one new Branch, the Scandinavian Section one, and the French Section two, making a total of thirty-six new Branches throughout the world.

LOCALITIES OF NEW BRANCHES.

AMERICAN SECTION :—Dayton, Ohio ; Portland, Oregon ; West Superior, Wis. ; Lewiston, Maine : Cedar Rapids, Iowa : Omaha, Neb : Corry, Pa. ; Santa Rosa, Calif. ; two at Grand Rapids, Mich.—10.

EUROPEAN SECTION :—Leeds, Bath, Antwerp, Florence, Milan, Naples, Glasgow—7.

INDIAN SECTION :—Bansberia, Amraoti, Bettiah, Kulitalai, Marakpur, Nandalur, Srinagar, Tenali, Tindivanam, Tirukoilur, Villupuram, Vriddhachalam, Ariyalur, Harur, Srirangam.—15.

AUSTRALASIAN SECTION :—Fremantle, Newtown.—2.

SCANDINAVIAN SECTION :—BODEN (North of the Polar Circle) —1.

FRENCH SECTION :—L'Essor, Ana Baï.—2.

BRANCHES REVIVED : INDIAN SECTION :—Broach, Cuddalore, Erode, Guntur, Krishnagiri, Rangoon, Tirivallur Adoni, Kanigari, Narasaraopet.

AUSTRALASIAN SECTION :—Toowomba.

BRANCHES DISSOLVED ; AMERICAN SECTION :—Portland, Oregan ; Santa Cruz, California ; Ellensburg, Wash.; Clinton, Iowa ; Lily Dale, N. Y. ; Green Bay, Wis.; Albany, N. Y.—7.

EUROPEAN SECTION :—Corfu.—1.

Within the past year I visited the Branches in ten European countries, *viz.*, England, Scotland, France, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Italy—the longest tour I have ever made in Europe. I was on the whole pleased and satisfied with what I saw. Many of our colleagues are extremely earnest and excellent workers, some less so, some only nominally members. In

France there is a new-born zeal which is a most pleasant contrast with what we have seen in the past. France having been, as I have sometimes said, a graveyard of theosophical Branches. But to push on the work there we need more workers, our leader, Commandant Courmes, is getting on in life, and Doctor Pascal is overworked. Italy is a new field and full of promise, as you will infer when the report of Mrs. Cooper-Oakley is read. The credit for the initiative of this encouraging outlook is due to the respected Mrs. Lloyd, whom you see here present, and about whom the Italians spoke to me in most affectionate terms during my tour in their country.

The Sweden, Danes, Norwegians, and Finns, among whom I passed some happy weeks last summer, are the kindest, most hospitable, most sincere people I have almost ever met, and in no part of the world have we colleagues more capable of understanding our ancient philosophy. But there, again, we need active workers, to go from Branch to Branch and do for them what our District Branch Inspectors are doing for the Indian Branches. As for England. much need not be said for the bulk of our best literature is being written there, and many of the Branches are models for imitation: especially so the Blavatsky Lodge, of which Mrs. Besant is President and whose membership is, I believe, the largest in the world. Holland has for years occupied a leading place in our European movement, there being collected together at the Amsterdam headquarters several persons of high capacity and unquenchable zeal; drawing their inspiration largely from the beloved and respected Mme. Meulemann. Belgium is a fresh field but warm blood is running through her veins and we have some excellent workers there. Germany is sluggish and dispirited and the outlook is not just now encouraging. This comes almost wholly from the physical prostration of Dr. Hübbe Schleiden, the eminent scholar and pioneer leader of the movement who, after making many sacrifices and a long struggle against difficulties caused by the mental attitude of the educated German public, which he had for a time to carry on with very few helpers, has had to retire to his library. There he is applying himself to the writing of a great work showing the historical and scientific basis of the theory of Reincarnation. A younger generation has entered the field, among whom I found several men full of fervor and zeal, but turned aside into by-paths traced out by the leaders of secession. What will be their future relationship with us is as yet undetermined.

From the reports of the various General Secretaries of Sections, presently to be read, you will be able to take a birds-eye view over the whole theosophical field, and judge for yourselves how encouraged we ought to be as to our future part in shaping the intellectual and religious history of our times.

To us, it seems incredible that the general public should be so ignorant as they are about us and our work. Most of them think we

are Spiritualists, some going so far as to regard us with contempt as exposed tricksters and charlatans; thousands of devout Christians hate and fear us as professed enemies of their religion, and one ignoramus of an army officer, acting as Treasurer of a hospital, wished his Board to refuse to accept the proceeds of a theosophical lecture because it was "devil-money." But let us take a calm, dispassionate survey of what we have actually accomplished since 1880 only, and what do we see? Let us divide our results into seven categories.

Firstly, then: We have spread throughout the world the teachings of the ancient Sages and Adepts about the Universe, its origin and its laws, showing its intimate agreement with the latest discoveries of Science; and about man, his origin, evolution, manifold powers and aspects of consciousness, and his planes of activity.

Secondly: We have won thousands of the most cultured and religiously inclined people of the day to the perception of the basic unity and common source of all religions.

Thirdly: In loyalty to our declared object of promoting human brotherhood, we have created in Western lands among our members a kindlier feeling towards colleagues of other nationalities; and, far more wonderful than that, we have effected a fraternal agreement between the Northern and Southern schools of Buddhism to accept a platform of fourteen statements of belief as common to both; thus bringing about for the first time in history such a feeling of common relationship.

Fourthly: We have been the chief agents for bringing about this revival of Hinduism in India which, we are told, by the highest Indian authorities has revolutionised the beliefs of the cultured class and the rising generation. An outcome of this is the revival of Sanskrit literature, much of the credit for which was given us by the late Prof. Max Müller, and, so far as India is concerned, has been conceded by the whole Native press and the pandit class. Another evidence is the foundation of this Central Hindu College which, within the past two years, has received gifts in cash of Rs. 1,40,000 and in real estate of Rs. 80,000. After only this short lapse of time we see success achieved, contributions of money flowing in constantly, and every augury of a grand future career of beneficence before it.

Fifthly: We have revived Buddhism in Ceylon to such an extent that the situation as regards the relations between the Sinhalese and Missionaries has been completely changed; the people generally are now familiar with the fundamentals of their religion, and their children, previously ignorant of even the smallest feature of it, are now being taught it in every respectable household.

Sixthly: We have started an educational movement in Ceylon, which has already led to the opening of 150 schools, attended by 18,400 pupils, under the management of our Society members in Ceylon, and some fifty other Buddhist schools under private

management, whose pupils would bring up the above registered attendance to about 23 or 24 thousand.

Seventhly: An attempt to educate and uplift the distressfully down-trodden Pariahs of Southern India is promising the most gratifying results—as Dr. English's note elsewhere shows. Not only Miss S. E. Palmer, the General Superintendent, but Mr. P. Krishnasawmy and his subordinate teachers deserve credit for this showing.

Have I exaggerated in anything? If not, then let these seven categories of indisputable achievements by the Theosophical Society be its vindication against its calumniators and the proof of its title to be ranked as a social force working for the help of the race. What other Society can point to so much work done and good Karma won?

The most striking feature of this affair is the absolutely trifling cost of the work. Look at the various sectarian societies of the West having their incomes running up to almost fabulous sums—say in the case of the Salvation Army, "whose total income is considerably over a million pounds a year" (vide *Windsor Magazine*, November 1900), and say with what equally great achievements on the higher planes of consciousness they can match what we have done. Let me read you a note I have prepared for your information:

FINANCIAL DIGEST OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY FROM THE DATE OF ITS FOUNDATION IN 1875 TO DECEMBER 20TH, 1900, INCLUSIVE.

RECEIPTS.

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Received from all sources, including Charter and Entrance Fees, Annual Dues, Donations, Subscriptions to all Funds,* etc. ...	295,630	10	2			
Given by the two Founders ...	37,375	2	0			
Total Receipts...				333,005	12	2

OUTLAY.

Gross expenditure for all objects, including the purchase, and furnishing of the Adyar headquarters; taxes; the building and furnishing of the Convention Hall and the Asiatic and Western Libraries; purchase of books and collection of MSS.; the making of new buildings and new rooms; repairs; digging of tanks; planting of trees; salaries; servants' wages; travelling expenses; charities; fuel;

* The Permanent, Headquarters, Anniversary, White Lotus Day, Founders, Subbarow medal, Travelling, etc.

		RS. A. P.
lights; stable expenses; printing; postage; telegrams; stationery; investments in Government Securities and Loans on Land Mortgages, etc., etc. ...		280,962 12 5
Cash balance, (represented in Bank deposits, mortgage loans, cash in hand, &c.) ...		52,042 15 9

OTHER ASSETS.

	RS. A. P.	
Estimated value of the Adyar estate, including buildings ...	30,000 0 0	
7,000 growing trees ...	7,000 0 0	
Furniture and fixtures, vehicles, horses, etc. ...	6,000 0 0	
MSS. and books in the Oriental Library ...	30,000 0 0	
Books in the Western Library ..	5,000 0 0	78,000 0 0
Total (Headquarters) Assets of the Theosophical Society on the 21st December 1900 ...		130,042 15 9

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ADYAR, MADRAS,
20th December 1900.

T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,
Treasurer, T. S.

Examined and found correct.

T. SAMBIAH,
Auditor of Accounts.

It should be noted that the above Digest deals only with the financial transactions of the Executive headquarters of the Society, not taking account of the outlays and incomes of our Sections and Branches, which do not come under the Treasurer's cognizance

It is, I believe, generally known that the Founders of the Society have never received any salary or emoluments, and that the same remark applies to Mrs. Besant and almost all our leading colleagues. Those others who are paid at all received but a bare subsistence allowance, the desire common to all of us being to help as we can our fellow-men without selfish motive. But for this fact, our expenditure account would, of course, have run up to a much higher figure.

THE SUBBA ROW MEDAL.

The book of the year most worthy of the award of the Subba Row Medal is Mr. Mead's "Fragments of a Faith Forgotten," a really important contribution to contemporary literature, and I should have awarded the Medal to him but for the fact of his having had it before, and for my feeling that it ought to be reserved for the encouragement of fresh writers to enter our literary field, rather than

be given over and over again to the same person. Mrs. Besant, for example, produces from time to time books worthy of special distinction, and so do Mr. Sinnett and Mr. Leadbeater; but the distinction of the Medal having been once bestowed on them, I gave the preference last year to the author of "The Great Law" rather than to either of the others. And I think it a sound policy.

ACTIVITY AMONG THE PARSIS.

I am personally much pleased to hear good reports from my friend N. F. Bilimoria as well as from our Parsi brothers now present, of the state of religious feeling in the Bombay Parsî community. It seems as if there had begun a stirring among the dry bones of their conservation. Meetings at our Branch rooms to discuss and expound Zoroastrianism are well attended, a religious class for Parsî ladies is finding favour, such distinguished scholars as Mr. K. R. Cama and Ervad Jivanji J. Modi are attending meetings, our literature is being more and more read, and our membership among the young men is increasing. Let us hope the day may come when the long-needed Parsi Exploration Fund or Archæological Society will be founded, and great discoveries be made of the buried literary remains of that great, that once world-conquering, people.

THE PRESIDENTIAL TOUR OF 1901.

In pursuance of the plan announced last year, I shall devote the year 1901 to tours in North and South America. My passage is engaged for the N. D. Lloyds steamer of January 11th from Colombo to Japan and thence by the Pacific Mail S.S. Co., to San Francisco, *via* the Hawaiian Islands. On my way I hope to spend a week at Honolulu with our faithful Aloha Branch T. S. and to reach my destination by the 26th February. A tour through the United States, to cover several months, is laid out for me, after which I shall visit our Branches in the Argentine Republic, and then return home *via* Europe and the Red Sea. This will be one of the longest tours ever made in the Society's interests, and one which promises to be a completely successful one.

THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

Our Library, which was founded in 1886, completes its fourteenth year to-day, and offers us every encouragement as to its future. The Oriental Department already contains 2,333 different works in manuscript, comprising 3,762 volumes, and 3,321 volumes of printed books, all on Oriental subjects. The Western department contains about five thousand volumes. At a low estimate our pandits and shastris value the Oriental collection at about thirty thousand rupees, and that in the other department at five thousand, or an average of only about one rupee per volume. I thought it best to keep well within the mark in this as in all other of my estimates. In 1892 we had in the Library only 515 MSS., so that we have increased our literary treasures sevenfold, thanks, largely, to the energy and zeal of

Mr. R. A. Sastry, whose official Report will be found to be exceptionally interesting and instructive, and who has a special talent for collecting MSS. in South Indian villages.

Manuscripts and printed books in the Oriental Section of the Adyar Library, as per stock taken on the 20th December 1900.

Number.	Subjects.	Manuscripts. No. of Vols.	Manuscripts. No. of works.	Printed books. No. of Vols.	Printed books. No. of works.
1	Vedas ...	68	31	66	77
2	Vedalakshana ...	42	33	4	6
3	Upanishads ...	67	42	28	129
4	Srouta ...	57	54	11	6
5	Itihâsa ...	98	19	27	[illegible]
6	Purâñas ...	127	62	82	85
7	Dharma Sâstras ...	442	284	130	162
8	Vedânta (general)..	47	24	42	38
9	Advaita Vedânta ..	146	85	56	54
10	V. Vedânta (Sansk.)	93	73	53	53
11	Do (Tamil)	101	48	24	24
12	Dvaita Vedânta ...	16	8	9	58
13	Nyâya ..	170	96	26	23
14	Pûrvamîmâmsa ..	39	17	13	11
15	Sânkhya ..	3	3	7	7
16	Yoga ..	30	17	21	19
17	Vyâkarana .	208	144	81	60
18	Kośa ..	65	25	47	37
19	Jyautisha ...	233	159	35	33
20	Vaidya ...	11	10	14	[illegible]
21	Âgama (general)	59	47	5	5
22	Śâktâgama ..	85	48	32	32
23	Śaivâgama	[illegible]	69	[illegible]	[illegible]
24	Mantra ...	212	145	...	
25	Stotra	540	338	2	100
26	Vrata ..	111	51	1	1
27	Kâvya ..	184	72	71	61
28	Nâtaka ..	47	22	43	42
29	Alankâra ...	60	28	25	22
30	Nîtigranthas ...	24	9	15	15
31	Sâmudrika ...	6	5	...	..
32	Śakuna ...	2	2	...	...
33	Sangîta ...	7	6	16	15
34	Śilpa ...	2	2	...	...
35	Jaina works ...	4	4	27	27
36	Misc. works ...	3	3	...	...
	Total...				

Number.	Subjects.	Manuscripts. No. of Vols.	Manuscripts. No. of works.	Printed books. No. of Vols.	Printed books. No. of works.
37	Tamil language ..	59	59	224	224
38	Telugu do ...	136	136	151	136
39	Canarese do ..	3	3	30	25
40	Malayâlam ...	...	...	7	49
41	Hindi ..	1	1	...	...
42	Mahrathi ...	...	...	71	71
43	Gujarati ...	...	...	48	48
44	Bengali ...	...	...	51	51
45	Sanskrit publications including Kâvyamâla, Ânandâśrama, Mysore library, Vizianagaram, the *Pandit*, the Vidyodaya, and the American Oriental Series. ..	...	...	167	312
46	Vernacular dictionaries ...	...	...	41	41
47	Catalogues of Sanskrit works ...		...	50	50
48	Sinhalese works ...	*48	48	36	36
49	Burmese ...	6	6	8	8
50	Siamese ...	...	...	39	39
51	Pali Text Society's transliterations ...	...	...	48	48
52	Chinese & Japanese.	...	...	1279	307
53	Buddhistic works in English ...	...	...	112	112
54	Persian & Arabic ...	...	...	86	86
55	Reference books, including translations of original Sanskrit, Trübner's "Oriental Series," "Sacred Books of the East," etc. ...	...	...	670	670
	Total...	†3762	2333	†4141	3321

Total number of vols. = 7,903.
Do works = 5,654.

* Including one engraved copper-plate book.
† Approximate value.

	Rs.
For 3,715 MSS. @ Rs. 5 per vol.	= 18,575.
For 47 Sinhalese cadjan MSS.	= 3,000.
For printed works @ Rs. 2 per Vol.	= 8,282.
Total Rs.	29,857

Books Published in 1900.

"Avataras," Mrs. Besant.

"Some Difficulties of the Inner Life," Mrs. Besant.

"Some Problems of Life," Mrs. Besant.

"Old Diary Leaves" (Second Series), H. S. Olcott.

"Fragments of a Faith Forgotten," G. R. S. Mead.

"The Great Law," W. Williamson.

"Karma" (London Lodge transaction), A. P. Sinnett.

"Traces of a Hidden Tradition in Masonry and Mediæval Mysticism," Mrs. Cooper-Oakley.

"Science of the Emotions," Bhagavan Das.

"Karma, Works and Wisdom," Charles Johnston.

"Memory of Past Births," Charles Johnston.

"The Mystic Guide in the Gospel according to St. John," H. A. V.

"Reincarnation in the New Testament," James M. Pryse.

"Rules for Daily Life," A. Siva Row.

"Relation of Man to God," A. Schwarz.

"Consciousness," A. Schwarz.

"Ten Commandments of Manu," M. D. Shroff.

"Dawn of a New Era," G. E. Sutcliffe.

FRENCH.

"La Sagesse Antique" (trans.), A. Besant.

"Vers le Temple" (trans.), A. Besant.

"Qu'est-ce-que la Théosophie," Léon Cléry.

"Conférences on Congrés de 1900," Mrs. Besant and Mr. Chakravarti.

"Le Sentier du Disciple" (trans.), A. Besant.

"La Mort et les Etats qui la Suivent" (trans.), C. W. Leadbeater.

"La Théosophie et ses Enseignements" (trans.), A. Besant.

"La Vision des Sages de l' Inde" (trans.), J. C. Chatterji.

DUTCH.

"Are the Dead ever Raised," Dr. T. A. Binnenwig.

"Theosophy and Religion," P. Pieters.

"Natural Science and Theosophy," M. van den Bosch.

"The Ancient Mysteries," C. W. Leadbeater (trans. by J. J. Hallo), and the following translations by Johan van Manen:

"Karma," Annie Besant.

"Man and his Bodies," Annie Besant.

"The Astral Plane," C. W. Leadbeater.

"Secret Doctrine," three parts: the fourth part is now in preparation.

SWEDISH.

"Arcana, Thought-images," B. N. G.

"The Religion of the Future," Pekka Ervast.

" The Ancient Wisdom " (trans.), A. F. A. and E. Z. *Theosophical Pamphlets.* No. 6. Orion Lodge members also a Furnish translation of the " Introduction to Theosophy."

VERNACULAR.

A Tamil translation of " Vichârasâgar," second edition, and the " Upanishadartha Dîpika " Series, by A. Siva Row.

A Telugu translation of the Gîtâ has also been prepared by Lt. H. Wahab, Hyderabad, Deccan.

MAGAZINES.

The Theosophist,	*English* (Monthly).
The Theosophical Review,	,, ,,
Vâhan,	,, ,,
Prasnottara,	,, ,,
Theosophic Gleaner,	,, ,,
Arya Bala Bodhini,	,, ,,
The Buddhist,	,, ,,
Journal of the Mahabodhi Society,	,, ,,
The Punjab Theosophist,	,, ,,
The Pantha,	,, ,,
Theosophy in Australasia,	,, ,,
New Zealand Theosophical Magazine	,, ,,
Modern Astrology,	,, ,,
Theosophical Messenger,	,, ,,
The Golden Chain,	,, ,,
Sanmarga Bodhini,	*Telugu* (Weekly).

POLYGLOT.

Teosofisk Tidskrift (Swedish),	Monthly.
Balder (Norwegian),	,,
Revue Théosophique Française (French),	,,
Sophia (Spanish),	,,
Philadelphia (Spanish),	,,
Theosophia (Dutch),	,,
Teosofia (Italian),	,,
Der Vâhan (German), trans. and original	,,
Le Bulletin Théosophique,	,,
L'Idée Théosophique (French),	Quarterly.

Thus we close our brief account of the progress of the Theosophical Society and of the whole movement up to the close of the year 1900, and now we turn our faces towards the future. Hand clasped in hand, heart beating with heart, let us move forward to accomplish the destiny we have prepared for ourselves.

The Recording Secretary, Dr. English, then reported the receipt of telegraphic messages of greeting from Australia, Holland, Switzerland, Rome, Karachi, Hyderabad, Mahableshwar, Madura and from Prince Harisinhji, who telegraphed from Sihor. Telegrams have since been received from the Branches at Tenali and Broach.

Reports of Sections.

Reports of the various Sections were then read in the following order:—

Indian;	Bertram Keightley.
American;	Dr. W. A. English.
European;	Mrs. Annie Besant.
French;	Mr. F. T. Brooks, of Brussels.
Scandinavian;	Mr. Harry Banbery.
Australian;	Miss J. M. Davies.
New Zealand;	Miss Annie Davies.
Netherlands;	Mr. Max Thurlwall.

The Report of the T.S. movement in Italy, of Buddhist Schools in Ceylon, also of the Buddhist Press at Colombo, were read by the President-Founder.

Notes on the Panchama Educational Movement were read by Dr. English.

REPORT OF THE INDIAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T. S.:—An important feature of the past year's work has been the building of our new Headquarters, which matter will be dealt with at some length, in my complete Report to the Section.

Our Office staff is now better manned than ever before, and our work is being done in a more systematic and satisfactory manner.

In visiting Branches much successful work has been accomplished by Mrs. Besant, Brother Govinda Das, Dr. Richardson, the Joint General Secretaries, the Branch Inspectors and others, 78 Branches having been visited, exclusive of visits paid to, and lectures delivered at, other places where no Branches as yet exist.

During the Session, 472 new members joined the Section, as against 363 during the previous year, showing a gain of over one hundred, a very satisfactory increase. Of these 472 new members, 301 paid the full Entrance Fee, 133 paid reduced Fees and 38 were admitted free, including two members who were transferred to our Section from foreign Sections.

Twelve new Branches were formed during last year, *viz*:—Amraoti, Bansberia, Bettiah, Kulitalai, Marakpur, Nandalur, Srinagar, Tenali, Tindivanam, Tirukoilur, Villupuram and Vriddhachalam, while since the end of our official year (September 30th) four more new Branches have been added to our roll by the exertions of our indefatigable brothers T. Ramachendra Row and K. Narayana Swami Aiyar, making fifteen, to this date.

Seven old and dormant Branches were also revived during last year, *viz*: Broach, Cuddalore, Erode, Guntur, Krishnagiri, Rangoon, Tirivallur and since September 30th, three more have been added to these, *viz*; Adoni, Kanigari and Narasaraopet.

There were a number of Branches in an almost hopelessly dormant condition last year, which this year we have decided definitely to class as dormant, 21 in all. And thus summing up the situation we find that at the beginning of the Session we numbered 155 Branches (including the 21 just alluded to) which were classed as active, so that we have now (deducting these 21) only 143 really active Branches on our rolls.

We have lost twenty-three members by death, nine by direct resignation and 55 by refusal of the V. P. receipt for the Annual Dues, which counts as resignation.

Prasnottara has, on the whole, well sustained its increasingly useful and interesting character. We have already doubled its size and added a cover but we hope in the near future to be able to do still better, especially in respect to its editing, when the demands of our building work are done with. In this we shall be much helped by the increasing flow of useful contributions from various parts of India and especially by the publication in our pages of the lectures which Mrs. Besant is now delivering to the Benares Branch on the Bhagavad Gitâ.

This year, I am very glad to say, our financial position is much more satisfactory than was the case at the close of last Session. Our total receipts for the past year have increased by Rs. 1,651, while our expenditure, in spite of various additional charges, is less by Rs. 435. And this will be seen to be the more satisfactory in that this increase is almost entirely due to additional receipts from our Entrance Fees and Annual Dues. Indeed our total donations during the past year have fallen off from Rs. 1,560 to Rs. 1,187, a diminution of Rs. 375; while the contributions to travelling expenses have decreased from Rs 602 to Rs. 120, a loss of Rs. 481. Hence under these two important heads our income has been less than that of last year by Rs. 855. Thus our net increase under the heads of Entrance Fees and Annual Dues has amounted to Rs. 1,164 from Annual Dues, and Rs. 1,120 from Entrance Fees making together a total increase under these two heads of Rs. 2,284 which seems to me exceedingly satisfactory, especially when we recall the terrible burden of famine and plague which still pressed so heavily throughout the year upon many parts of our beloved country. We have the sum of Rs. 554 now standing to the credit of a Deposit Account.

It is even more gratifying to find, on studying the details of the accounts, that not only is our movement spreading and growing rapidly, but that further we are re-awakening active interest in the minds of a good many old members who had quite dropped out of touch. In many instances we have received back Annual Dues from such for several years, in some cases for as many as nine, and this fact appears to me a most hopeful and encouraging sign.

It gives me very great pleasure to announce that we are at last in a position to make our Sectional Headquarters available as a

real centre to which our members can come for rest, peace or spiritual refreshment, no less than for further instruction in Theosophy.

The following Publications have continued to be issued during the past year, namely :—*The Arya Bala Bodhini*, Madras, which henceforward will become the *Hindu College Magazine*; *Pantha*, Calcutta, *The Theosophic Gleaner*, Bombay ; and the *The Punjab Theosophist*, Lahore.

A new work published this year is the "Gîtâ Prakashini" being a translation of the Gîtâ into Telugu, by Lieut. Henry Wahab, of Hyderabad, Deccan.

To sum up, we have, I think, good reason for satisfaction in the record of the past year's work. A most important step onwards has been taken in the building of our permanent Headquarters, and when the work on them which still remains to be done is finished, I am confident that each passing year will increase their value and usefulness to our movement. We are favoured by the presence amongst us of our revered Teacher, Mrs. Besant, and during this new Session shall also derive great help and benefit from the work of our able and devoted sister, Miss Lilian Edger, M. A., who is now at Adyar and will make a prolonged tour in the North-West and Sindh during the early months of 1901. If it can be arranged for our Section to have the advantage of her permanent residence amongst us, either with Madras or some other Presidency Town as a centre, we shall have taken a great stride towards providing for efficient work and supervision throughout a large and important field.

Our most grateful thanks are due to Dr. Balakrishna Kaul of Lahore, for most valuable and able assistance in many ways, and to our able and energetic Provincial Secretary, Mr. K. Narayana Swami Aiyar, for the splendid work he has accomplished in the South, as also to his devoted helpers, Judge A. Ramachandra Row, J. Srinivasa Row, of Gooty, R. Jagannathiah, and also K. Lakshmi Narayana Aiyar. Good work has been done in other fields, but that in the South is especially deserving of mention ; while over the whole field it is most encouraging and satisfactory to find a spreading and deepening of interest in Theosophy as well as a growing recognition of the usefulness of our Society and its vital importance for the future of our beloved India.

With so many hopeful signs we may well look forward to the future with confidence and courage. We have lived through many dark and gloomy days in the past ; India has been suffering sorely indeed during these last four years, but still our movement has grown, steadily gaining, year by year, in strength and solidity. And so long as we remain true to our ideal, so long as we labour selflessly and devotedly for the good of humanity, so long as we seek the Truth and the Light, and keep firm our faith and trust in those Mighty Teachers who have called our Society into being and still

give energy and real spiritual life to our movement, so long no storm can overthrow us, no foe injure, no adverse power hem the progress of the work which we are striving to do for Their service. Upon Their wisdom we can ever rely, upon Their strength we can confidently build, sure that so long as we are faithful and true, They will never abandon us or leave us without the light of Their guidance and the support of Their mighty hands.

BERTRAM KEIGHTLEY,
General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE AMERICAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder T. S.:—On behalf of the American Section T. S. I report the statistics thereof from November 1, 1899, to November 1, 1900.

Ten new Branches have been chartered: Manasa T. S., Dayton, Ohio; Mount Hood Lodge T. S., Portland, Oregon; North Star Lodge T. S., West Superior, Wis.; Lewiston T. S., Lewiston, Maine; Cedar Rapids T. S., Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Omaha T. S., Omaha, Neb.; Eltka T. S., Corry, Pa.; Santa Rosa T. S., Santa Rosa, Calif; Grand Rapids T. S., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Valley City T. S., Grand Rapids, Mich.

The following Branches have dissolved: Willamette T. S., Portland, Oregon; San Lorenzo T. S., Santa Cruz, Calif.; Ellensburg T. S., Ellensburg, Wash.; India T. S., Clinton, Iowa; Lily Dale T. S., Lily Dale, N. Y.; Green Bay T. S., Green Bay, Wis.; Albany T. S., Albany, N. Y.

The total number of Branches is 73.

Members admitted during the year (not including a few restorations), 281; resigned, 46; died, 4; number of branch members, 1,218; members-at-large, 173; total membership, 1,391; decrease of membership during the year, 28.

Magazines issued are *The Theosophical Messenger*, *The Golden Chain*, and the American edition of *The Theosophical Review*.

The loss in membership is certainly regrettable, yet it may in part be accounted for by the policy explained in the report of last year, to wit, the predominant attention given by our travelling lecturers and workers to the training of Branches, over that given to public addresses. The number of such lecturers has been remarkable, six having been in the field during more or less of the year. If our resources increase we hope to arrange for one whose whole time will be given to this service and who can remain with each Branch sufficiently long to ensure thoroughness to his plans. One exceedingly gratifying fact is the increasing number of members competent not only to address Branches but to publicly lecture.

The Convention of 1899 determined upon the incorporation of a body of Trustees legally empowered to receive legacies and gifts for

Theosophical use, and such charter was actually obtained, but the legal conditions being such that all control of the Section was removed from Convention and transferred to the Trustees, the Convention of 1900 found it necessary to direct the abandonment of the charter and the appointment for such purposes of either the General Secretary for the time being or a Trust Company already incorporated.

In response to a request from India I published in *Messenger* an appeal to the Section for aid to the Indian Famine Fund, and the amount received therefrom, $477.55, was duly transmitted to Mr. David Gostling of Bombay for use through his Committee.

The great event of the year has but just begun—the tour of Mr. C. W. Leadbeater in America. Originally intended to last for only three months, requests for its prolongation have been so earnest that it will extend over about five, thus making possible the inclusion of some of the most distant Branches in the States and of the two in British territory. It is hardly possible to over-state for eagerness felt to see and hear this illustrious man ; and everywhere are heard expressions of delight at such a boon to the Section as this visit.

And then will follow the long-desired tour of the President-Founder. Ten years will have passed since his preceding visit to this country, and twenty-five since, with H. P. B., he established here the Theosophical Society. At the request of the New York Branch he has promised a memorial letter for use in that city, where the Society was formed, on the anniversary day, November 17th, the letter to be distributed through the Section. Preliminaries for his tour have been begun, and after January 1st, arrangements will be rapidly made so that a large proportion of the Branches may be visited before and after the annual Convention at which he will preside. Delight at this prospect is coupled with conviction that at this particular era his presence and influence will produce incalculable good to the Section and the Cause.

Thus the first year of the Twentieth Century is anticipated by American Theosophists with fervent exhilaration. It demonstrates the continued existence of the Society which was founded here, received here the traitorous blow which many feared might cause its death, has rallied, aroused itself to fresh energy and devotion, put forth most vigorous effort, and is ever drawing in new health and strength. And that year is to be adorned by long visits from the President and from one of the greatest of the members. Rightly may the Theosophists of America feel joy and hope and assurance and distinction.

ALEXANDER FULLERTON,
Gen. Secretary.

REPORT OF THE EUROPEAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder of the T. S.:—In my Report of the activities of this Section, the first place is claimed by the change of Head-quarters to 28 Albemarle Street, mentioned in the last Report, and successfully carried out at the beginning of this year, under the superintendence of the then General Secretary, the Hon. Otway Cuffe. The new Head-quarters are of easy access from all parts of London, and the hope that a large number of visitors would be attracted by the removal to a more central situation has already been, to a considerable extent, realised. On the first floor there are a large Lecture Room and a Drawing Room ; the next provides very convenient quarters for the Sectional and Lending Libraries, with a private office for the General Secretary ; and the general office is on the floor above. The rooms have been, since the opening, largely used for Theosophic works the Blavatsky Lodge meets in the Lecture Room, which has also been utilized for several courses of lectures. In January Mr. Mead gave a course of four lectures on the "Mysteries of the Greeks ;" in March on the "Wisdom Schools of the Earliest Christendom ;" and he is now delivering a course of eight lectures entitled "Fragments of a Faith Forgotten." In February and March Mr. Leadbeater delivered a course of four lectures ; and during Mrs. Besant's all too short stay amongst us she gave two courses to crowded audiences, one on "The Emotions, their Place, Evolution, Culture and Use," and another of four lectures on "Thought Power, Its Control and Culture." The Drawing-room has also been made good use of. In the Spring the Countess Wachtmeister and other ladies gave a series of At Homes at which various members spoke and answered questions on Theosophical subjects ; and since the Summer vacation the work has been carried on by a Ladies' Committee, appointed by the Convention, who are arranging classes and meetings for the Winter. On Sunday evenings lectures open to the friends of members are given, under the management of the Blavatsky Lodge.

Many generous contributions have been received towards the heavy expenses of removal and furnishing ; and, thanks to these, the finances of the Section are in a fairly satisfactory state. It is hoped that the activities which are centering around our new rooms will furnish the best evidence to our friends that their money has been spent to the profit of the cause.

A matter of very serious regret to us all is that Mr. Cuffe, upon whom all the burden of the removal and the new arrangements has rested, and who has devoted much valuable time and attention to the business of the Section, has found himself compelled, on leaving England, to resign the office of General Secretary. During his tenure of office he has made himself beloved and respected by all who came into contact with him, and the hearty thanks and good wishes of the Section follow him to his new home in Ireland.

During the year ending 15th October 1900, 309 new members were enrolled; and though a careful revision of the lists has resulted in the striking off of 128 names as lapsed, the resignations (32) are few, and the deaths (6) still fewer; the active membership now reaches the very respectable total of 1,520.

Six new Charters have been issued during the same period; to *Leeds* (renewal), *Bath*, *Antwerp*, *Florence*, *Milan* and *Naples*.

The Ionian Branch, which had long been dormant, was formally dissolved in July last.

The Convention, which was held in London on the 7th and 8th of July, was well attended, a larger number of foreign members than usual being present; probably to assist in welcoming Col. Olcott, under whose presidency the meetings passed off very successfully.

The quarterly meetings of the North of England Federation have been presided over by Mrs. Besant, the Countess Wachtmeister and Mr. Leadbeater; and the meeting of the South-Western Federation by the President-Founder, whilst on his Western tour.

In addition to the lectures before named, Mrs. Besant gave four Sunday evening lectures in London, besides others in different parts of the country; and much good work has been done in visiting the branches and in lecturing, by the Countess Wachtmeister, Mrs. Cooper-Oakley, C. W. Leadbeater, J. C. Chatterji, G. R. S. Mead and others, not only in England but also in Belgium, France, and Italy.

In Italy the work has been carried on vigorously, although Mrs. Lloyd has now gone to Benares, abundance of energetic workers being left. A strong and promising Branch has been formed at Milan, mainly through the exertions of Mrs. Williams, and the other new foundations, Florence and Naples, are doing well. Captain Boggiani and Mrs. Cooper-Oakley have been appointed temporary organizing Secretaries, and there is every prospect that in the near future Italy will be qualified to form an independent Section of its own.

The literary activity of the Section during the past year has not been very great. From Mrs. Besant we have had, "Avatâras," "Some Problems of Life," and new editions of "Man and His Bodies" and the "Evolution of Life and Form."

Mr. Mead has brought out his important and long expected work entitled "Fragments of a Faith Forgotten." Mrs. Cooper-Oakley's "Traces of Hidden Tradition in Masonry" and "Mediæval Mysticism;" a London Lodge Transaction (No. 34) by Mr. Sinnett, entitled "Karma"; and a new edition of Leadbeater's "Astral Plane," complete the list.

The *Theosophical Review*, now simultaneously published in England and New York, has been regularly brought out, and has contained good work by new contributors as well as the regular writers. This is as it should be, and promises well for the future. The *Vâhan* has maintained its recent level and much valuable information and counsel have been communicated to the members; the apprecia-

tion of which has been manifested by the reproduction of the answers in many of our Theosophical Magazines and in various languages.

I have reserved to the last, my dear President-Founder, the acknowledgment of what the Section owes to your own visit during the past Summer. You have carried the stirring influence of your presence and your exhortations over our Branches in Italy, London, the North of England and Scotland, the West of England, and Belgium, leaving behind you, everywhere, encouragement and a most affectionate and grateful remembrance of your unwearied labours and never-failing kindliness of heart and speech. Permit me, on behalf of our members, to offer to you, personally, our best thanks for all that you have done for us (not excluding that form of gratitude which has been well defined as a lively sense of favours—to come !), and at the same time to convey to your meeting and all the Sections there represented, the assurance of our hearty fraternal good wishes. The Anniversary Meeting of the Society is the symbol of that inner unity which is the indispensable condition of our usefulness to the world at large ; and our greeting is the expression of our faith that for us, Theosophists, there is no distinction of Eastern or Western, but only the one world-wide body of earnest seekers for the Truth and ardent workers for good, whose existence is the best pledge for the world's future, and membership of which is the highest honour to which we can aspire.

ARTHUR A. WELLS,
General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE SCANDINAVIAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder T. S. :—At the time of the Annual Convention in May 1900, the total number of members amounted to 484 ; since then 16 new ones have been admitted, but as one has left, the total number of members amounted to 499 on the 1st of November.

A new Branch was formed in the presence of Colonel Olcott, May 25th, at Boden, in the extreme North of Sweden, within the Arctic Circle, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Edward Johansson. The Branches of the Section are thus 13, and during the last year there has been a considerable activity in all of them with public and private lectures and discussions. The visit in May, of dear Colonel Olcott to the Section, gave a new and strong impulse to the spiritual devotion of our members. The Colonel delivered public lectures in the towns of Copenhagen, Gothenburg, Christiania, Stockholm, Lulea and Lund, and presided at the Convention in Stockholm. Brother Pekka Ervast of Finland, invited to Stockholm by the Executive Committee, lectured during a month's stay here (April-May) at the Branch-meetings, delivered a public lecture at the Convention, and especially put his

time and energy at the disposal of the Committee and the General Secretary. He returned to Stockholm, October 14th, and has been since then engaged on a lecturing tour in Sweden, visiting several Branches.

At the Fifth Annual Convention of the Section, held in Stockholm, May 20th and 21st, the following officers were elected:

General Secretary: Mr. T. E. Liljestrand.

Executive Committee:
- Dr. E. Zander (Vice-Chairman.)
- Mrs. F. Ingestrom.
- Mr. F. Lund.
- Mr. O.Zander (Treasurer);

the Presidents of the Branches are members, *ex officio*, of the Committee.

During the year the following literature has been published:

Teosofisk Tidskrift, 10 numbers, "The Ancient Wisdom," by Annie Besant; translated into Swedish by A. F. A. and E. Z.; *Balder*, the Norwegian T. S., magazine, *Theosophical Pamphlets*, No. 6, edited by members of the Orion Lodge.

A Finnish translation of the "Introduction to Theosophy," of Annie Besant.

"Arcana, Thought-images," by B. N-G. (Swedish), "The Religion of the Future," by Pekka Ervast (Swedish.)

P. ERIC LILJESTRAND,
General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE NETHERLANDS SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T.S.—Before entering on the business details regarding the work of our Section during the past year it is my pleasing duty to convey to you in the name of all our members our heartfelt greetings and congratulations on this first General Convention of the T.S. following the completion of its 25th year.

You alone of those who met together in New York in 1875 are with us still, and we look on you in a certain sense as the embodiment of the theosophical interest through the world. You as President of the Society have piloted it through many storms, and we congratulate ourselves that you are still with us, still robust, full of zeal and full of energy, still able to stand at the helm and steer the ship safely into the twentieth century.

The Society founded by you and Madame Blavatsky, twenty-five years ago, has grown strong and is a real force to-day in the world of thought. She is no longer with us in bodily presence but her work remains, and a loving and grateful remembrance of the two co-founders of the T.S. is with us always; although most of us have only been privileged to meet one of the founders personally.

In this, my fourth annual report of the Dutch Section, I have no new Lodges to record but, notwithstanding this, I feel able to assure you that the work here is making sure, if slow, progress. It

is mentioned by the daily press and from the pulpit as a phase of modern thought which, though one may not agree with it, deserves study as an existing movement that must be kept account of and that no longer can be set aside with ridicule or indifference.

New centres of activity have been started, holding regular weekly meetings, but have not as yet formed themselves into Lodges, believing it better first to prepare themselves by regular study, so as to be able to teach before applying for charters.

Sixty-four members have been admitted during the year. Eight members resigned and we lost one through death.

Six members are entered as Unattached during the year; the total membership is therefore 278, showing an increase of fifty-five.

During the year, the " Theosophische Uitgevees Maatschappy " has published Vol. VIII, of *Theosophia*, twelve Nos.

" Karma," by Annie Besant—translated by Johan van Manen.

" Man and his Bodies," by Annie Besant—translated by Johan van Manen.

" The Astral Plane," by C. W. Leadbeater—translated by Johan van Manen.

" The Ancient Mysteries," by C. W. Leadbeater—translated by J. J. Hallo.

" Secret Doctrine," 3 parts—translated by Johan van Manen—the fourth part is in preparation and will shortly appear.

Other books written by members but not published by the T. U. M. are :—

" Are the dead ever raised ? " by Dr. T. A. Binnenweg.

" Theosophy and Religion," by P. Pieters.

" Natural Science and Theosophy," by M. van den Bosch.

Two Theosophical novels published in French, " La peine du Dam," and " Vengeance," by M. Reepmaker.

The T. U. M. has secured premises two doors from the Section Head-quarters, where T. S. literature in all languages is on sale.

This has proved a good move, for a decided increase in the sale of T. S. books and pamphlets has taken place since the book-shop was opened in March last.

Our library has been able to secure a number of works, thanks to the legacy of 500 fcs. left us for that purpose by our late colleague and fellow-worker, Madame O'breen, better known to readers of the *Theosophist* as " Afra."

Mr. Leadbeater's visit last Spring was one of two great events that have marked this year's work. He spent fourteen days with us and was untiring, holding two and sometimes three meetings in one day. He gave several public lectures in Amsterdam, the Hague and other towns, and lectured always to a crowded and attentive audience. Many of the Provincial members came long distances to hear him.

His lectures were taken down in shorthand by one of our members, Mr. J. J. Hallo, and have since appeared in *Theosophia*.

The second great event (in point of time) was the visit of the President-Founder who, with his adopted daughter, arrived here from Sweden in time to preside at our Fourth Dutch Convention. A reception was held at the Section Head-quarters, Amsteldijk 76, on the eve of the Convention, and a large number of members gladly availed themselves of the opportunity of making the President's acquaintance personally.

The ten days following the Convention were devoted to a tour in the provinces, and the Lodges were delighted to have the pleasure of welcoming the President-Founder and hearing him lecture. He worked so hard while with us that I fear the Dutch Section will get sadly into bad repute for mercilessly overworking its guests. Our only excuse is that we have not the President often within reach and so make the most of the opportunity when such is the case.

On the last evening of his stay in Holland he was the guest of the Vâhana Lodge, who availed themselves of that opportunity, to present him with an engraved copper bowl as a souvenir of his visit here.

With regard to general activities, a large number of public lectures have been given during the year and at all these there was Theosophical literature on sale in the Hall where the lectures were held. In addition to the public lectures the various lodges hold fortnightly or monthly lectures to which visitors are admitted; cards of admission are obtainable free of charge from Secretaries of Lodges; classes for study meet regularly, in some places three, in others four, times a week. The Lotus circle meets every week and 24 children attend regularly.

You will undoubtedly have a large gathering this year in Benares. In thought your Dutch brethren will be with you too, though distance, alas! prevents their being with you in person, but one and all send hearty and loving greetings to all our brothers and sisters there assembled in Convention, and join them in the hope that the Theosophical Society may flourish in the century just opening and become more and more a living power for good and for the helping of mankind.

W. B. FRICKE,
General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE AUSTRALASIAN SECTION T. S.

To the President-Founder, T. S.:—In the absence of our esteemed General Secretary, Dr. Marques, it is my duty to report to you that the number of active Branches now belonging to the Australasian Section is ten; the names of five others still remain upon our Roll but they are at present dormant. The increase of three on last year's Report comes from the Toowoomba Charter of 1881 having been revived, a Charter having been granted to Newtown Branch (Sydney) and another to the Fremantle T. S., notice of which accompanies this Report.

Since our last Report 65 new members have joined us, but owing to a drastic revision of our Roll, from which the names of all those who have not paid their annual dues for two years have been erased, our total number now is 350. Five members have died, among whom were Mrs. D. J. Parker of Ibis, T.S.; Mr. H. F. Kessal of Mt. Gambier, Mr. C. Handley of Cairns, and Mr. F. F. Cox of Sydney, all of them earnest members and hard workers for the Society.

Owing to the prevalence of the Bubonic Plague in Sydney last Easter, our Annual Convention could not then be held, but it is hoped that it will be possible to hold it this month.

The necessity for attending to private business matters in Honolulu took Dr. Marques away from us in April, but he is now on his way back to Sydney.

During the year just closed, our Federal Lecturer, Miss Lilian Edger, has visited and lectured in Perth, Fremantle and Albany, the great activity since shown in Western Australia being evidently the result of her efforts.

Adelaide, Melbourne, Hobart, Warrnambool, Ballarat, Sydney, Armidale, Toowoomba, Townsville, Charter's Towers, Cairns, Mackay, Rockhampton, Bundaberg, Maryborough and Brisbane were visited by her, and from a week to a month spent in each, giving public lectures and meeting enquirers and members.

Miss Edger's farewell lecture before her departure for India was delivered in Sydney on Oct. 21st. We all deeply regret the loss we are suffering but hope that in the future we may again have the pleasure of her presence and her help.

The Branches at Adelaide, Hobart, South Yarra, Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane continue their public lectures, classes for study and meetings for inquirers without cessation, each one of them able to keep its own activities going without outside assistance; and by their lending Libraries, in all cases open to the public at a merely nominal fee, they are doing much to spread the knowledge of Theosophy among the public. The Book Depôts at Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane are also doing good work.

The Sectional Library is proving of valuable assistance to the smaller branches and unattached members, the addition of the "Sacred Books of the East" which we expect shortly, will put a

their disposal books which very few members or Branches even would be able to buy for themselves.

The Sectional Organ, *Theosophy in Australasia*, has been issued regularly each month during the year and its size has been increased to 24 pages.

I enclose a list of our Branches with the names of the officers and addresses of the Secretaries.

H. A. Wilson,
Assistant General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE NEW ZEALAND SECTION, T. S.

To the President-Founder, T. S.— I have much pleasure in again reporting on the condition of the New Zealand Section; in which, during the year, much active work has been done.

Though no new Branches have been formed, a good deal of activity is going on in various new centres, such as Onehunga, near Auckland, Port Chalmers, near Dunedin, and Nelson, from which, Branches in due course should result.

Twenty-four new members have been added to our Register: but during the year two members have left the Colony, three have resigned, and seventeen have lapsed by non-payment of dues, a total of twenty-two in all; so that our last year's membership of 189 is only increased by two. Of the 191 members, 155 are Branch members, and 36 are "Unattached." Though there is not much actual increase in numbers, the quality of those remaining is excellent. They are much sounder, more energetic than last year. There is a good deal more vital force in the Section than at any previous time.

A new leaflet on "Evolution" has been printed; and in the beginning of the year the *New Zealand Theosophical Magazine* was issued, under the Editorship of Mrs. Draffin and myself. The success of this activity has far exceeded our expectations; and though we have been compelled to raise the price from one penny to twopence, the price remains moderate, and the size of the magazine has also been increased. The circulation grows larger all the time, and next year we hope to have it firmly established as a permanent activity. Its usefulness we cannot overestimate.

The Fourth Annual Convention of our Section was held in Dunedin on January 1st and 2nd, 1900, and was as successful, useful and harmonious as all the previous ones. As before, I was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Draffin, of Auckland, and Mrs. Draffin again gave a series of very successful lectures in Dunedin, Christchurch, Wellington, Woodville, Pahiatua and Wanganui. The *New Zealand Theosophical Magazine* was adopted as the official "organ" of the Section.

The Theosophical Book Depôt continues its useful work of distributing the literature of the movement; there is a steady and continuous demand from all parts of the country, which augurs well for the future of the Society in New Zealand.

In Auckland and in Wellington, afternoon meetings for ladies, who are for the most part unable to come to the Sunday evening meetings, have been started, presided over by Mrs. Draffin in Auckland, and by Mrs. Richmond in Wellington. These have proved highly successful, are held monthly, and the social element is introduced by "afternoon tea" following the address. The same element has also been utilised by the holding of very enjoyable "Social" meetings in Auckland and in Dunedin; in the latter case the Branch showed its great appreciation of the services of its energetic Secretary, that old and earnest worker Mr. A. W. Maurais, who has done so much for the cause in New Zealand, by making him a presentation as a mark of their love and esteem.

Dunedin has done good work for the Section this year; not only by its general activity, but by bringing out gifted and devoted workers—Miss Christie, Miss Horne and Mr. Burn, M.A.—whose lectures and general work have aroused much interest, not only in Dunedin, but in various outlying districts visited by them.

Christchurch I should like to see more active; the elements are not sufficiently uniform to ensure real solid progress.

In all the four chief centres, Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin, public lectures are given every Sunday night, which are also duly advertised in the daily press and in all the Branches. Besides the lectures there are numerous active works whose influence materially assists the labours of the speakers.

The "Golden Chain" movement is taking a good hold of New Zealand: already we have thirty children enrolled in it and a good many more are coming in; so that this useful and interesting activity is likely to have a good deal of influence in this Section.

On behalf of the New Zealand Section, I beg to send the heartiest fraternal greetings and good wishes to the Annual Convention assembled at Benares and to you the President-Founder of the Society, hoping that as in the past the blessing of the Masters may be with you in your deliberations, and feeling that your meeting will be a centre of peace, harmony, and prosperity for the T. S. throughout the world.

C. W. SANDERS,
General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE FRENCH SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T.S.:—I have the honour to make the following report upon the present condition and prospects of the French Section of the Theosophical Society. I shall begin with some statistics:—

1.	Names and location of new Branches :	
	"L' Essor," 21 Avenue Montaigne Paris, 17/12/1899.	
	"Ana Baï," 125, Boulevard Châve, Marseilles, 27/6/1900.	
2.	Names of Branches dissolved	none.
3.	Names of Branches revived	none.
4.	Total number of Branches	11
5.	Number of Members admitted during the year ...	96
6.	" " resigned " " ...	7
7.	" " deceased " " ...	2
8.	" of Branch Members	161
9.	" Members unattached	88
10.	Total membership	249
11.	Increase of membership during the year ...	86
12.	Magazines issued: 1st *Le Lotus Bleu.*	
	2nd *Le Bulletin Théosophique.*	

13. Books or pamphlets issued:

1st, original: "La Théosophie en Quelques Chapitres," par le Dr. Pascal.

"Qu'est-ce-que la Théosophie," par Leon Cléry.

"Conférences au Congrés de 1900," Mr. Chakravarti and Mrs. A. Besant."

2nd, translated: "Le Sentier du Disciple," A. Besant.

"La Mort et les Etats qui la Suivent," C. W. Leadbeater.

"La Thésophie et ses Enseignements," A. Besant.

"La Vision des Sages de l'Inde," J. C. Chatterji. (Conference donnée à Paris.)

The condition of the Theosophical movement in France is very satisfactory. It is not from the point of view of the number of its members that it should be judged, but rather from the devotion of a large number of them, and by the marked influence which our doctrines are acquiring over the general thought of the nation. Literature, philosophy and religion are gradually becoming impregnated with the new light and one may thus follow, step by step, the spread of the moral, the mental and the spiritual influence of the Theosophical Society. When all our theosophists shall know the power of their heart-vibrations, when they shall have learned that their thought, however isolated, however distant, however unsuspected it may be, can continually affect the human atmosphere, and gently raise the race towards the highest stages of evolution, a great step will then be made within a few years.

An important event to notice is the appeal made to our dear Mrs. A. Besant, by the Department of Public Instruction of the

Canton of Geneva (Switzerland), that she would kindly give, during the course of the Winter, two theosophical lectures in the great Hall l'Aula. Mrs. Besant, being obliged to reach India by the 15th September, has been forced to decline the offer, but has suggested as a substitute Dr. Pascal, General Secretary of the French Section. He has accepted and will give, on the 28th of November, a first lecture on "Theosophy and its Teachings," and a second on the 1st of December on "The Relations of Theosophy with Science, Philosophies and Religions." A third lecture will be given, finally, in another hall of the city on "The Proofs of Re-incarnation."

It is to be hoped that this first official patronage of the theosophical ideas, promulgated under their true names, at the University of Switzerland, will be the prelude of their admission into the universities of other countries. We, theosophists, who believe in the Divinity incarnated in the world to push on evolution, have no doubt upon that point.*

For DR. TH. PASCAL,
Ch. Blech, Jr., Private Secretary.

THE REPORT ON BUDDHIST SCHOOLS FOR 1900.

To the President-Founder, T. S.:—It was in June that I assumed the duties of management. Mr. A. E. Buültjens went on leave in January, and from that date onward to his final retirement in June Mr. D. S. S. Wickramaratna acted as General Manager.

The resignation of Mr. Buültjens, through ill-health, is a serious loss to our work. He assumed the responsibility of management at a critical juncture, when the Buddhist educational movement was in its infancy, meeting with a strong opposition that threatened its very existence. For ten long years, Mr. Buültjens guided the efforts of the Buddhists with consummate ability and steady zeal, and, thanks to his able management, our Society to-day occupies a prominent and recognised position in the field of education in this Island.

Our work for the past year has been on the whole satisfactory, steady progress being visible on every side. Many new schools have been opened; attendance has consequently increased; and several schools have been registered for grants. A reference to the

* Inadvertently, of course, no mention is made of the holding of the International Theosophical Congress at Paris, June 24 to 28 inclusive, which was attended by Delegates from France, Great Britain, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Spain, Italy, Russia, the United States of America, and India, and was a great success in every respect. The chief credit for initiating the gathering is due to Commandant D. A. Courmes, our oldest French member and a devoted personal friend of the Founders, while its success was largely due to the exertions of Dr. Pascal, M. Blech, M. Gillard and their associates. The President-Founder presided, and Mrs. Besant took an active part. The results of the Congress promise to be very important.—EDITOR.

following tabular statement will indicate the gradual expansion of our work :—

	1899.	1900.
Number of schools ...	134	150
Number of Reg'd. schools	92	119
Total attendance ...	15,490	18,400
Grants	Rs. 20,271·70	Rs. 24,168·88

New schools opened during the year are : *Western Province* :—Asgiriya (Ver. Girls) ; Heneratgoda (Ver. Girls) ; Halugam (Ver. Boys) ; Kudagammana (Ver. Boys) ; Kalutara (Eng. Boys) ; Kalutara (Ver. Boys) ; Kaliyawadana (Ver. Mixed) ; Madabaurta (Ver. Boys) ; Nawana (Ver. Boys) ; Dodangoda (Ver. Mixed) ; Dombagoda (Ver. Mixed) ; Hebivana (Ver. Mixed) ; Wetara (Ver. Girls) ; Dalupitiya, (Eng. Boys) ; Dalupitiya (Ver. Girls) ; Narahenpita, (Ver. Mixed) ; Medemula (Ver. Boys). *Southern Province* :—Polwatte (Ver. Girls) : Totagomuwa (Ver. Boys) ; Beliatta (Ver. Boys). *North-western Province* :—Mawila (Ver. Boys). *Central Province* :—Laggala (Ver. Boys) ; Gampola (Training School) ; Bembija (Night School) : 24 in all.

The following schools have been registered for grants :—Madelgomuva, Ambanwia, Dalupitiya (Eng.), Mukalangomuva, Polgahawela, Boralesgomewa, Moraketiyare, Diyogama, Galgana, Kudagammana, Kussala, Meevitigammana, Madabawita, Nagoda, Narawila, Narahenpita, Polwatte (English), Rukmale, Raddoluwa, Uggalboda, Bandarawela, Dankanda, Gampola (Training School), Widiyawatta : 24 in all.

Applications for the registration of twenty-five schools are now before the Educational Department. New buildings have been put up or existing buildings extended at Polwatte, Dodangoda, Diyagama, Galgana, Ganimulla, Heneratgoda, Katana, Wellawatta, and Kadewidiya. A spacious building is in course of construction at Kalutara North. I am glad to state that our English institutions are doing good work. Mr. Buültjen's retirement was certainly a great loss to Ananda College ; but thanks to the zealous and hearty co-operation of a competent staff, I have been able to maintain the efficiency of the College in an unimpaired condition. Our numbers are rapidly increasing. The curriculum of studies includes, besides work prescribed for University and Government Examinations, such practically useful subjects as Drawing, Shorthand, and Book-keeping, which are taught free of cost to such students as are likely to be benefited by them. Mr. C. Jinarajadasa, B. A. (Cantab.) has recently joined the College as Vice-Principal, considerably adding to the strength of the staff.

Dharmaraja College (Kandy) which was a source of considerable anxiety last year, has made very creditable progress under its new Principal, Mr. C. S. Rajaratnam, B. A. The last Government

examination was a thorough success and the work has elicited commendation from the Chief Inspector of the Central Province.

The new English school at Kalutara has so far been a success. If the Buddhists will only unite to support the school, Mr. Faber, the Head-Master, will, I am sure, show good results in the near future.

The English schools at Badulla, Matale, and Kurunegala have passed satisfactory examinations, but the same cannot be said of Katugastota, Hatton, and Ampitiya. The Sanghamitta (Girls) schools had to be finally closed about the middle of the year. Our leading Vernacular schools, too, are doing excellent work, particularly those at Wekada, Kadewidiya, Tangalle, Gampola, Dikwela, Kalutara North, and Ataragalle. Gampola has recently been registered as a Training School, which, I hope, will in course of time remove the great difficulty now experienced of securing teachers for our schools. It gives me much pleasure to note that no less than 43 of our Vernacular teachers obtained certificates this year.

Coming to finances, it will be seen from the statistical summary given above that the total amount of grants received during the past year was Rs. 24,168.88. The total expenditure incurred by the Society was Rs. 34,254.91. From lists furnished by a majority of local managers, I find, moreover, that over Rs. 16,000 have been expended locally, in most cases on buildings, repairs, &c. It will thus be seen that during the year under review a sum exceeding Rs. 50,000 has been spent by the Buddhists for the purposes of education.

My predecessor's Report for 1899 alludes to the amalgamation of the schools in the Kandyan Districts with those of the Western and Southern Provinces, under one management. This amalgamation, absolutely necessary to save the up-country schools from total collapse, involved the payment of large arrears of salary due to the teachers of those schools. This financial responsibility, undertaken with more generosity than discretion, naturally made it difficult for the Society to meet the ordinary legitimate demands upon its exchequer—a difficulty which resulted, I fear, in grave dissatisfaction among the teachers in the Western and Southern Provinces, whose salaries very often could not be paid punctually. A great effort was, however, made to meet this emergency, and in consequence, I am able to state that every school under my management has been paid up to date.

The Annual Fancy Bazaar has been a success this year, though contributions from abroad have been disappointing, owing perhaps to the unusual demands made upon the public on behalf of the War and Famine funds. As it was, the Fancy Bazaar may well be said to have saved the situation, and great credit is due to their energetic friends who worked it up so successfully. But I have reason to apprehend a large deficit next year. I would therefore express the

earnest hope that the next Fancy Bazaar may receive the hearty support of our friends and well-wishers abroad.

The annual meeting of Local Managers and Teachers was held on the 24th of November, when great enthusiasm prevailed. Over seventy representatives were present, and several important resolutions were discussed and adopted. It was decided to introduce a uniform system of religious (Buddhist) education with examinations, in all our schools, and to make " result payments " to teachers upon the results of the annual Government Examination.

In conclusion I have to express my thanks to our friends and sympathisers; to the Local Managers, to whose disinterested efforts the success of our work is greatly due; and to the Inspectors and Teachers, who have performed their duties conscientiously. My best thanks are also due to Mr. D. S. S. Wickremaratna, who acted as General Manager during the first half of the year, and has since assisted me with his usual energy and zeal, and to the members of the Advisory Board, whose ready counsel has been always of great service.

D. B. JAYATILAKA, B.A.,
General Manager of Buddhist Schools.

BUDDHIST PRESS REPORT.

To the President-Founder, T. S. :—I have the honor to submit my report of the Buddhist Press for the year ending 30th November 1900.

In my report for the last year I had the pleasure of acquainting you of the steady progress in all the departments under my control. It is gratifying to see that I am again able to inform you that my work is in a highly satisfactory condition.

Want of proper accommodation was much felt during the previous years and I was therefore not able to effect the improvements necessary to my satisfaction. In July last, thanks to the indefatigable members of the Colombo T. S., a new wing, on the property belonging to the Society, has been added, to which the editorial offices of the *Sandaresa* newspaper and the staff of compositors have been removed; leaving the Job Department in the old premises.

The quad royal machine imported from England and the other small machines, together with the gas engine by which the former is worked, are all fitted up in the new quarters.

Perhaps you will be glad to hear that the circulation of the *Sandaresa* has increased steadily within the last year. We now print 4,000 copies each time. This number, in a small country like Ceylon, is indeed very gratifying, exceeding, as it does, the circulations of other papers.

The Jobbing Department is fully occupied with several important religious and classical works. I hope to issue them as early as possible.

As a novel departure in the art of Sinhalese printing I have tried colour-printing, and I am glad to be able to say that I am satisfied with what was done (with hardly any necessary materials at hand) in connection with the last Buddhist Fancy Bazaar.

I have been able to add to our press this year a branch for stereotyping. The work turned out is splendid. A stereotyping branch was a long-felt want in our press, and it has, during the few months since its establishment, proved very useful and paying, besides facilitating business to a considerable extent.

The English Department is also doing good work, although I regret to report poor progress in connection with our monthly magazine, *The Buddhist*, through lack of steady editorial help. Pecuniarily, much might be expected from this department by way of job works and in printing and issuing useful Buddhist works, if any European, American or Indian brother who sympathises with our work, would help me in getting a foolscap Platen machine and a few fonts of fancy type of assorted varieties.

My cordial thanks are due to all the members of the staff, without whose efficient co-operation the present satisfactory condition of our affairs could not have been expected.

H. S. PERERA,
Manager.

REPORT FROM ITALY.

VIA SOMMA CAMPAGNA, 15.
ROME, *December 8th*, 1900.

To the President-Founder, T.S. :—It is with much pleasure that we are able to send for the first time a report from the "Central Office" of the Theosophical Society in Italy, to the General Convention of the Theosophical Society.

The opening of a "Central Office" and a "Bureau for Publications and Literature" has been necessitated by the development of our work during the past year. There are, at present, four chartered Lodges in Italy, three of which have been formed during the past year, and the list of their members is steadily increasing, notably so in Rome.

The translations are also adding to their number, and we have now four good pamphlets in Italian for distribution ; the "Path of Discipleship" and "Esoteric Buddhism" are also translated, and we are expecting the "Ancient Wisdom" and the "Inner Purpose of the Theosophical Society," from the printers.

A very decided development in interest in Theosophy is being noticed in Rome, and much quiet activity is going on, the result of which cannot be, at present, gauged.

A small reference library has also been opened in the Central Office; the nucleus of the future Sectional library: this office and its Committee are purely temporary institutions to serve as a 'Centre' round which will grow up the "Italian Section" of the Theosophical Society. During the past year much valuable help has been given to Theosophy in Italy by the lectures delivered by Mr. Chatterjee in Rome and Florence. In April Mrs. Besant lectured in Naples, Rome, and Florence. The effects of her words are still lingering in the hearts of those who heard her. Italy gives many indications which are very hopeful, but your organizing Secretaries—dear Mr. President—feel that with the very peculiar conditions that exist here, it is wise to have as little in public print as is consistent with the active work your members are carrying on.

We beg you to convey to all our colleagues the heartfelt greetings of Italian members, and ask our far-off Brothers to feel that here in Italy we are one with them in heart and work.

With most cordial greetings, dear Mr. President, to you, and to all who are with you,

We are your faithful Colleagues.

ISABEL COOPER-OAKLEY,

CAPTAIN OLIVERA BOGGIANI.

For the Central Committee of the work in Italy.

ED. NOTE:—Mrs. Oakley seems to have forgotten how many thanks we owe to Mrs. Lloyd for her excellent pioneer work, as, also, the recent Italian tour of the President-Founder.—EDITOR.

REPORT ON THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

To the President-Founder:—In submitting herewith my report on the Oriental Section of the Adyar Library for the current year, I beg to state that nearly 900 MSS. have been added since last year.

My tour for the year was confined to Conjeeveram, Kalahasti, and Coimbatore. During my research I came across rare works, among which were the Vasugupta's Sakti Sûtras and Saiva Sûtras, with different commentaries, and I have secured them all for the Library.

Until now the British Museum Library alone could boast of an old Text of the Sakti Sûtras, without commentary. That Library demanded £20 for supplying us with a copy of the work. We have now, however, that text in good order with different commentaries. I can safely say that this Library now contains more than 200 rare MSS. that are not found in the "Catalogus Catalogorum."

The number of MSS. in the year 1892 was only 515, but in the course of the past seven years the number has come up to 3,762, comprising 2,333 works. These MSS. have been secured without any cost to the Library.

Our thanks are due to Messrs. Ramaswamier, T. Sadasiva Aiyer, K. S. Subramania Iyer and Vaidyanathier, of Coimbatore, and T. Viswanatha Yogi, of Kalahasti, for this year's success in securing rare and useful MSS.

With the additional establishment of a Pandit and a copyist recently sanctioned, we hope to bring out a complete list of all the MSS. in the Library within a few months' time.

R. ANANTHAKRISHNA SASTRY.

EDUCATION OF THE PANCHAMAS.

To the President-Founder :—The Panchama educational movement, which was started by you in 1895, with 55 pupils, has steadily advanced, until we now have three schools with an attendance of about 125 pupils each ; and ground has just been broken for another school, with a prospect of 100 pupils to open with. Calculating on the steady growth of the three schools now in operation, we shall have over 500 pupils under tuition as soon as this school opens.

The eagerness with which these poor children pursue their studies is really astonishing, and the results achieved at the Government examinations show a larger percentage of passes on the average than is found among European or caste schools.

The money for the establishment and up-keep of these schools has been contributed by friends of the movement, nearly all of it coming from Europeans and Americans.

As it is more blessed to give than to receive, it is to be hoped that Hindus will not always let this opportunity, of earning the blessings of the Holy Ones by conferring the blessing of education upon the lower classes about them, pass by. How can any of us dare ask for blessings from those above us, unless we are also earnestly seeking to confer blessings upon those below us ?

The educational course followed in the schools is elementary but useful, the pupils being taken only up to the Fourth Standard. The object of the movement is not to turn out clerks or professional men, but only to fit the Pariah children for such kinds of employment as are open to them, such as domestic service with Europeans, tally-keepers in small bazaars, time-keepers under contractors, teachers in Panchama schools, petty shopkeeping, local guides to travellers, etc. Our teachers in our three schools are all of this community and they give great satisfaction. By degrees the people are coming to know of the great success obtained in all our three schools, and they are asking us to open new schools in their villages. I should not be surprised if the movement should spread with great rapidity and grow into one of prime importance. A gentleman of Europe gave to Col.

Olcott last summer the sum of Fcs. 36,000 in cash for investment, the income earned by the capital to be divided between the Adyar Library and the Panchama Education Fund, in the proportion of two-thirds and one-third respectively. This will give the schools a fixed income of about £22 per annum or Rs. 26 per mensem, enough to pay the salary of one teacher.

W. A. ENGLISH.

BUDDHIST THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,

GALLE, *12th December* 1900.

COLONEL H. S. OLCOTT,
President-Founder, Theosophical Society, Madras.

SIR:

I beg to send, herewith, the Annual Report of the Buddhist Theosophical Society, Galle, for the year ending 31st December 1900, with statement of accounts.

I beg to remain,
Sir,
Yours obediently,
O. A. JAYASEKERE,
Secretary.

BUDDHIST THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,

GALLE, *13th December* 1900.

REPORT,

The work of the Society is confined to educational matters. All the schools under the management of the Society did fairly well at the last Grant-in-aid-Examination.

Katukurunda mixed school is registered as a Grant-in-aid school and will be examined in the early part of next year. Want of funds prevents the Society from opening a few more schools in parts where there are no schools.

Last year when Colonel Olcott was here, a fund was raised for erecting a building for Mahinda College. It is deposited in the Chartered Mercantile Bank. Although Colonel Olcott made an application to the Government Agent of the Province for a plot of Crown Land adjoining the Dangedara mixed school for a sum of Rs. 250 and although he recommended to the Government the granting of the land for the purpose applied for, yet nothing has been heard from Government officially.

O. A. JAYASEKERE,
Secretary.

Statement of Galle Buddhistic National Fund for 1900.

To Collection by Col. H. S. Olcott ...	5,845	93	By principal due on Bonds...	2,100	0
To Interest from D. H. Prolis ...	90	0	„ Do recovered ...	1,116	0
To Interest from W. P. Gunesekere ...	108	0	„ Value of lands purchased.	975	0
To arrears of Interest due ...	804	51	„ Allowance paid to Haberadowe School ...	110	0
			„ Allowance paid to Dangedera North ...	90	0
			„ Balance in the hands of Mr. Perera ...	200	0
			„ Balance in the hands of Mr. D. O. D. S. Gunesekere ...	496	0
			„ Paid to Mahinda College..	70	0
			„ Do for stamps to Mr. D.O.D.S. Gunesekere ...	200	0
			„ Balance in C. M. Bank ...	1,491	44
Total...	6,848	44	Total...	6,848	44

GALLE, 14*th December* 1900.

T. D. S. AMARASURIYA.

Statement of Mahinda College Fund.

December 14. 1900 ...			June 2nd, 1899, By paid for a cheque book ...	1	25
To amount of collections by Col. H. S. Olcott from June 1899 ...	5,392	90	June 12th, 1899, By paid expenses for June collections...	37	0
„ Amount of Interest received from C. M. Bank ...	83	25	August 17th, 1899, By paid Mahinda College ...	347	19
			August 31st, 1899, By paid Kandy College a loan to Mr. Hack ...	500	0
			September 23rd, 1899, By paid expenses for August and Sept. collections ...	60	0
			September 23rd, 1899, By paid Bank postage ...	0	07
			December 14th, 1900, By paid Balance in C. M. Bank ...	4,530	64
Total...	5,476	15	Total...	5,476	15

GALLE, 14*th December* 1900.

T. D. S. AMARASURIYA.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

The celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Theosophical Society was held at Benares, on the evening of December 28th in the Central Hindu College Hall, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and closely packed with eager listeners. The President-Founder occupied the chair and made the opening speech, in which he referred to the beginning of the movement, twenty-five years ago, and traced its steady growth up to the present, through the storms and trials which have tried the hearts of its members. His remarks were highly appreciated.

The President then selected certain gentlemen as capable of testifying to the spread of the movement in their several localities, who addressed the meeting, *viz.*; first, for Northern India, the Honourable Norendro Nath Sen, Editor of the *Indian Mirror*, whose courageous, public advocacy of Theosophy, through evil report and good report, for a long period of time, has won the esteem of all Indian members of the T. S.

For South India, Mr. K. Narayanaswamy Aiyer, Southern Provincial Secretary. His enthusiastic remarks were loudly applauded.

For the Parsi community, Mr. J. N. Unwalla, M.A., Principal of Samaldas College, Bhavnagar, who next read a scholarly address on the progress of Theosophy among his people.

For Europe as a whole, Mr. Bertram Keightley, General Secretary of the Indian Section, was called upon, and drew an impressive contrast between the indifference felt for Theosophy in Europe twenty-five years ago, and the present widespread interest.

Mr. F. T. Brooks of Brussels next gave an interesting account of the growth of the movement in Belgium and France.

To Mrs. Lloyd, who rendered most important service in the beginning of the Italian movement, was assigned the duty of telling the meeting how things had developed in that world-centre of Christianity.

The closing speech of the evening was made by Mrs. Besant, whose fervid utterances were listened to with most profound attention and followed by prolonged applause.

MRS. BESANT'S LECTURES.

The opening lecture of Mrs. Besant's course was given in the Central Hindu College Hall, on the evening of December 26th, her subject being, "The Four Ashramas." No brief report could do justice to her powerful discourse, which, together with the three subsequent ones, "Temples, Priests and Worship," "The Caste System," and "Womanhood," will soon be issued in book form.

The lecturer said she should try to put forth the ancient Indian

ideal, in sad and bitter contrast with the degraded present as it now exists. India can rise only by the greatness of her sons. Part of India is determined not to move at all. That means, *death*. The spirit of the age is the Divine impulse along the road of Evolution.

The problem is to preserve Indian spirituality and add to it everything which any other nation has to give which is of value.

Being interrupted by prolonged applause, Mrs. Besant said: "Will any of you give your *lives* for India, instead of the mere applause of your hands?"

Education should deal with the spiritual, the emotional, the intellectual and the physical. Modern education consists mainly in the development of the intellectual.

How many realise that man really succeeds only as he raises others along with himself.

The fourfold system of education is pursued in all the leading English Universities, Religious exercises are held every morning. On the walls of these buildings are inscribed the names of those who have made their lives glorious by noble deeds in the service of humanity, and great attention is paid to physical training, along with the intellectual work.

She spoke of the decreasing stature of Hindus, in localities where too early marriages prevail, and reprimanded their ignorance of, and indifference to, physiological laws.

In her second lecture, on "Temples, Priests and Worship," she spoke of the importance of right religious ideals and of their proper expression in true worship, and referred to the appalling degradation which is now manifest in the conduct of many of the Hindu Temples.

In her third lecture, on "The Caste System," she said that changes in social systems must be made with great forethought, and that we should carefully distinguish between essentials and non-essentials. The principles of caste are clearly stated in the Gitâ. They are fundamental and natural divisions of people into four classes, and represent the different stages in the paths of evolution along which humanity travels. In countries where there is no definite caste, we find that the same fundamental differences in characteristics exist among the people. The easiest position lies with the lowest class, and the duties increase as the grade advances. The subtle bodies also differ among the four castes, and depend upon heredity, largely.

Men used to look on birth not as a matter of chance, but a matter of karmic law. These multitudinous sub-castes result from man's pride, selfishness and separateness. The Brâhmana walls himself around with barriers and is indifferent to the welfare of those below him. When man asks for privilege, forgetful of duty, resentment grows up instead of love. Vanity and the spirit of exclusiveness is common among the Brâhmanas. Let us try to

recognise the use of the original fourfold divisions and try to ignore the non-essential sub-divisions. Inter-marriage and inter-dining among all Brâhmanas should be recommended. Transition from one of the lower castes to a higher is not to be recommended. One should cheerfully accept the body one is born in, with its attendant Karma, and try to be worthy of a better one next time.

Outcasting was practised to preserve the purity of the caste, but who are now fit to be the proper judges in these cases. One may now outrage every principle of morality yet not be outcasted, if he keep up the outer forms ; yet, if a young man travel abroad to get an education, he *may* be at once outcasted, or he *may* not—it seems now to be a mere matter of chance. According to the ignorance of the sub-castes is the cruelty of the outcasting. In the far past, Hindus were accustomed to travel freely in distant lands.

All the nations of the world are beginning to intermingle, one with another and enjoy the benefits to be derived from associating with each other. Other nations are getting much from India, why do you Indians shut yourselves off from others? Such association promotes Brotherhood. When will you recognise merit and demerit, instead of following prejudice and ignorance? The thoughtful, the religious, should mark out the line of life and walk in it.

Outside all caste there are thousands and millions of human beings who are utterly neglected and looked down upon. Hinduism is being slowly undermined by Christianity and Islamism: if this continues, Hinduism will sink lower and lower. Would it not be wiser for Hindus to devise some means of treating these people in a different manner, and recognise merit wherever it may be found? We should try to recognise the use of the ancient social system, instead of following the mere burlesque of it which we see at present. Let the truly learned take this matter in hand ; let the *learned* lead, and let the ignorant follow.

We regret that we have no notes of the last lecture.

PERMANENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.	EXPENSES.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 25th December 1899 ...	25,113	8	7	Amount to the Headquarters Fund transferred from the interest, to meet the current expenses ...	43	12	0
Interest on Mortgage of Rs. 5,000 with Messrs. Thompson and Co., @ 10½°/₀ per annum, for one year from December 1899 to November 1900, at a monthly interest of Rs. 43-12 ...	525	0	0	Do do do ...	594	15	7
Interest from the Post Office Savings Bank on Rs. 10-0-9 for 1899-1900 ...	0	3	0		638	11	7
				Balance loaned on securities...	25,000	0	0
Total Rs...	25,638	11	7	Total Rs...	25,638	11	7

ANNIVERSARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.	EXPENSES.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 25th December 1899 ...	18	9	3	Cost of feeding at the caste kitchen ...	441	3	9
Mr. Pagra Rao Naidu, Bezwada, for 1898 ...	5	0	0	Balance paid to Pandal Contractor ...	13	8	0
Mr. T. Seshachela Rao ...	1	8	0	Cost of feeding at the European table ...	102	4	0
Dr. J. Edal Behram, Surat Contributions for 1899.	35	0	0	Printing Anniversary Reports	459	4	8
Chittoor Branch T. S. do...	20	0	0	Extra servants Engaged ...	10	0	0
Mr. A. S. Vaidianatha Iyer Contribution for 1899.	10	0	0	Postage and Telegrams ...	29	1	6
Namakal Branch T. S. do...	10	0	0	Printing and Stationery ..	3	9	9
Hope Lodge T. S., Colombo Contribution for 1899	30	0	0	Loan from the Headquarters Fund returned ...	50	0	0
Sivaganga Branch T. S. do...	10	0	0	Sundries ...	30	5	3
Mr. E. Dessi do...	15	0	0				
The Salem Branch T. S. do...	10	0	0				
Bezwada do do...	5	0	0				
Karur do do...	5	0	0				
Palghat do do...	9	0	0				
Narasaraopet do do...	5	0	0				
Gooty do do...	15	0	0				
Vedaraniam do do...	5	0	0				
Parsi visitors from Bombay Contribution for 1899.	50	0	0				
Bala Samaj at Cocanada do ...	5	0	0				
Mr. S. K. Subroya Chettiar, Salem. Contribution for 1899.	5	0	0				
Mr. A Sabhapathi Moodeliar Contribution for 1899.	5	0	0				
Mr. Kotiah Chetty Garu, Nellore, Contribution for 1899.	5	0	0				
Carried over..	279	1	3	Carried over...	1,199	4	11

ANNIVERSARY FUND—*(Continued)*.

RECEIPTS.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.	EXPENSES.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Brought forward...	279	1	3	Brought forward...	1,199	4	9
Mr. C. Ramiah Garu, Nellore, Contribution for 1899.	2	0	0				
Mr. B. Ranga Reddy, Nellore, Contribution for 1899.	5	0	0				
Vedachela Mudr., Chingleput, Contribution for 1899.	5	0	0				
Dr. M. R. Jaganatha Raju do	3	0	0				
Mr. Venkatesa Iyer do	2	0	0				
,, U. Venkata Rao, Salem do	5	0	0				
Bala Samaj at Bezwada do	5	0	0				
Periakulam Branch T. S. do	4	0	0				
A Member of the T. S. do	1	8	0				
Mr. B. Panchapagesa Sastri Contribution for 1899.	1	0	0				
A Member of the T. S. do...	1	0	0				
Mr. V. C. Sesha Charrier, Mylapore, Contribution for 1899.	15	0	0				
Mr. Balachandra Iyer do...	2	0	0				
,, A. Nanjundappa, Cuddapah, Contribution for 1899.	10	0	0				
Mr. V. Padmanabiah do	3	0	0				
,, K. S. Subramani Iyer do	2	0	0				
,, V. Balaramiah Garu do	2	0	0				
,, A. Nilakanta Sastrial do	10	0	0				
,, D. Purushottam Garu do	2	0	0				
The Royadrug Branch T. S. Contribution for 1899.	5	0	0				
A friend do ...	1	0	0				
Mr. K. P. Perrazu, Cocanada, Contribution for 1899	20	0	0				
Mr. B. G. Bodenkar do...	2	0	0				
,, Ramachandriah do...	1	0	0				
,, M. V. K. do...	3	0	0				
,, A. Hanumantha Charlu Contribution for 1899.	2	0	0				
Mr. Ramakrishna Iyengar do	1	0	0				
,, Raghava Charlu do	1	0	0				
,, S. V. do	1	0	0				
,, R. Giri Row do	3	0	0				
The Awakener of India do	2	0	0				
Mr. Sanjiviah do	2	0	0				
A friend from Conji do	1	0	0				
Mr. A. K. Sitarama Sastri do	2	0	0				
,, Sundararaja Rao & a friend Contribution for 1899.	1	12	0				
Dr. A. Marques for Aloha T. S. Contribution for 1899.	30	0	0				
Countess C. Wachtmeister do	100	0	0				
Mr. D. Gostling, Bombay, do	124	0	0				
The Adyar Lodge T. S, do	20	0	0				
Sir S. Subramanier do	100	0	0				
Mr. M. Singaravelu Mudr. do	5	0	0				
,, A. Ramaswami Sastrial Contribution for 1899.	7	0	0				
Carried over...	514	8	0	Carried over...	1,199	4	9

ANNIVERSARY FUND—(*Continued*).

RECEIPTS.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.	EXPENSE.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Brought forward...	514	8	0	Brought forward...	1,199	4	11
Mr. V.K. Desika Charriar Contribution for 1899.	5	0	0				
" C. K. Chinnasami Iyer do	1	8	0				
" V. Sundram Iyer do	1	0	0				
" V. Cooppuswami Iyer do	5	0	0				
Bangalore Cantonment T. S. Contribution for 1899.	20	0	0				
Coimbatore Branch T. S. do	10	0	0				
Mr. V. Vasudeva Iyer do	5	0	0				
" A. Saptarishi Iyer and Mr. B. Siva Rao Contributions for 1899.	3	0	0				
Mr. T. Chidambara Row do	5	0	0				
Masulipatam Branch Secy. do	10	0	0				
Amount received for private huts. Convention of 1899...	28	8	0				
Donation from guests ...	4	12	0				
Loan recovered from the Library Fund ...	100	0	0				
Loan received from the Head-quarters Fund ...	320	0	0				
Annual Dues of Mr. R. K. Modi's wife ...	10	0	0				
Annual from Mr. K. V. Dvivedi, Mombasa ..	5	0	0				
Annual T. W. Williams, Esq., London ..	15	0	0				
					1,199	4	11
				Balance...	143	12	4
Total Rs...	1,343	1	3	Total Rs...	1,343	1	3

HEADQUARTERS FUND.

1900.

RECEIPTS.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.	EXPENSE.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 25th December 1899 ...	1,329	0	5	Food expense for guests ...	141	15	0
DONATIONS.				Postage and telegrams ...	147	1	6
Mr. Peter D'Abrew, Colombo	5	0	0	Printing and stationery ...	77	8	10
,, R. Nagasa Rao, Bezwada.	2	0	0	Repairs and construction ...	375	9	0
,, E. Annaswami Iyer, Trivellore ..	1	0	0	Travelling expense ...	64	14	9
Mr. P. Nanjunda Naidu, Hassan ...	3	0	0	Stable expenses ..	927	0	4
,, D. Nowroji, Bombay ...	3	0	0	Sundries ..	2,156	1	7
,, E. Annamalai Mudaliar..	1	0	0	Establishment charges ..	2,367	0	0
,, Anantarai Nattiji Mehta, Bhaunagar .	84	0	0	Loan given to Anniversary Fund ..	320	0	6
A friend through English ...	3	0	0	Loan given to Library Fund..	270	0	0
Lala Hari Krishna Das, Lahore ...	12	0	0	Do returned to Library Fund	250	0	0
Miss Ida R. Patch, Donation.	45	11	0				
Miss Elena Adolfovna, Italy £50 (Donation for Col.'s Travelling Fund, but lent to Headquarters) ...	750	0	0				
Mr. C. Sambiah, Subn. for 3 months ...	19	8	0				
Entrance Fees and annual Dues .	60	9	0				
Recovery of loans to other funds ...	94	0	0				
Interest on mortgages and Deposits ...	641	6	7				
Sale of garden produce ...	175	7	9				
Recovery of advance for rice distribution ...	565	2	2				
Sundries ..	3	0	0				
25 % Dues from Sections:							
European Section, T. S. ...	521	8	4				
American do ...	1,203	6	3				
New Zealand do ...	111	14	0				
Australian do ...	197	10	3				
Scandinavian Section ...	399	13	0				
Dutch do ...	148	12	11				
French do ...	170	0	0				
Indian do ..	1,919	7	0				
Buenos Aires Branch ..	33	2	9				
					7,097	13	6
				Balance ...	1,405	9	11
Total Rs...	8,503	7	5	Total Rs...	8,503	7	5

LIBRARY FUND.

1900.

RECEIPTS.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.	EXPENSE.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on the 25th Decr. '99.	226	15	10	Establishment charges ...	822	3	6
DONATIONS.				Purchase of Books ...	423	1	0
Mr. T. Murugesa Nadar, Tranquebar ...	100	0	0	Binding charges ...	68	14	0
Mr. R. Sooria Row Naidu, Vizagapatam ..	20	0	0	Subscription to Periodicals...	31	4	0
Mr. A. Venkatakanniah, Namakal ...	1	4	0	Freight & Postage ...	24	13	6
Mr. A. Schwarz, Colombo ...	100	0	0	Sundries ...	105	4	3
Sir S. Subramanier, Mylapore	100	0	0	Loans returned ...	495	0	0
Rt. Hon. the Earl of Mexborough ..	78	12	0				
Mr. Geo. Tubbs ...	73	14	7				
Mr. C. Sambiah, Mylapore ..	19	8	0				
An F. T. S. of Burma for whole year ...	600	0	0				
Mr. A. Schwarz ...	30	0	0				
Loan received from H.S.O.'s Private Fund ..	195	0	0				
Loan received from Head-quarters Fund ...	270	0	0				
Loan recovered from Head-quarters Fund ...	250	0	0				
Anon. ...	20	0	0				
Interest on P. O. Savings Bank ...	0	3	0				
					1,970	8	3
				Balance...	115	1	2
Total Rs....	2,085	9	5	Total Rs....	2,059	9	5

T. SUBBA ROW MEDAL FUND.

RECEIPT.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.	EXPENSE.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 25th December 1899 ...	1,246	6	10	Cost of making a Gold Medal	51	6	0
				Do. Engraving on it ...	3	0	0
					51	6	0
Interest from P. O. Savings Bank a/c for 1899-1900 ...	38	9	0	Balance Rs....	1,230	9	10
Total Rs....	1,284	15	10	Total Rs....	1,284	15	10

WHITE LOTUS DAY FUND.

RECEIPT.	Amount.			EXPENSE.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 25th December 1891 ...	253	0	0	White Lotus Day Expense ...	23	3	6
DONATIONS.				Balance ...	338	0	6
Mr. T. P. Srivenkateswaralu, Cocanada ...	2	0	0				
The Dutch Section T.S. £7-1-8	106	4	0				
				Total Rs...	361	4	0
Total Rs...	361	4	0				

FOUNDERS FUND.

RECEIPT.	Amount.			EXPENSE.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
An F. T. S. in Paris Donated Fcs. 36,010 Converted into Sterling @ 25 Fcs. per Pound, amounting to £ 1,431-16-4 @ Rs. 15 per Pound ...	21,477	4	0	Discount charged by Madras Bank for purchasing Pro-Notes ..	50	13	7
				Do. Do for cashing a cheque on London and W. M. Bank, Limited ...	161	6	5
Renewal Fee allowed by the Madras Bank ..	1	0	0	Amount Advanced for the Accumulated interest on Government Securities ..	266	0	0
Premium allowed on 3 p. c. Government Pro.-Notes for Rs. 10,000 in the safe custody of the Madras Bank (the remaining Rs. 12,600 Pro.-Notes of 3 p. c. having been transferred to Messrs. Thompson and Co.)	1,000	0	0		478	4	0
				Balance Rs....	22,000	0	0
				Total Rs...	22,478	4	0
Total Rs...	22,478	4	0				

DETAIL OF THE BALANCE.

	RS. A. P.
On Mortgage with Messrs. Thompson & Co., Madras, Rs.	12,000 0 0
3 per cent. Government Pro-Notes in the safe custody of the Madras Bank, Rs. ...	10,000 0 0
Total Rs...	22,000 0 0

T. S. PRESIDENT'S TOUR FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Babu Narendra Nath Mitter, Calcutta ...	50	0	0
Babu Rasbihari Mukerji ..	200	0	0
Rani Mrinalini of Pikapara...	200	0	0
Sirdar Umrao Singh, Lahore.	200	0	0
Dr. Balkishna Kaul do ...	100	0	0
Babu Daya K. Kaul do ...	100	0	0
Rai Bishamber Nath do ...	15	0	0
Lala Suraj Bhan do ...	10	0	0
Dr. A. Marques, Honolulu ...	105	0	0
Mr. A. E. Royle, thro. Mr. Scott ...	30	0	0
Sir S. Subramania Iyer, Mylapore ...	100	0	0
Mr. Jehangir Sorabji, Hyderabad (Dec.) ...	28	0	0
" V. Cooppuswami Iyer, M.A. ...	17	0	0
" A. Ramachandra Row, Bangalore ...	100	0	0
" A. Nilakanta Sastri ...	10	0	0
" V. Vengu Iyer, Palghat.	15	0	0
" Janardhan S. Gadgil ...	25	0	0
" V. C. Sesha Chariar ...	50	0	0
" B. Jotindramohan Tagore	100	0	0
" K. Perraju, Cocanada .	10	0	0
Dr. J. E. Bebram, Surat ...	100	0	0
Mr. T. M. Sundrum Pillai ...	10	0	0
" D. Gostling, Bombay ...	100	0	0
Babu Dharmsi Gokul Das ..	50	0	0
Mr. A. Singaravelu Mudr. ..	11	13	0
" B. S. Ramaswami, Salem.	10	0	0
R. B. Sooria Row Naidu, Vizagapatam ...	75	0	0
Babu Neel Comul Mukherji.	20	0	0
Mr. J. M. Boys, Mangalore...	20	0	0
K. B. N. D. Khandalvala ..	30	0	0
Dorabji Desabhoy ..	50	0	0
Mr. P. Naraina Iyer, Madura.	10	0	0
" J. L. Pagi, Lucknow ...	10	0	0
" A. Ramasami Sastri ...	5	0	0
Amount subscribed on the Continent...	612	0	0
Do do in United Kingdom...	516	0	0
Countess Wachtmeister ..	450	0	0
Amount collected by Mr. A. Fullerton, from American Section T. S. for Tour of 1901 in £90-1-8 ..	1,351	4	0
Total Rs...	4,896	1	0

EXPENSE.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Discount charged by Madras Bank ..	1	1	0
Outfit ..	326	3	0
Ticket, Madras to Tuticorin..	13	14	0
Do Tuticorin to Colombo.	19	0	0
Do 2nd Class to Naples ..	280	0	0
Postage, Telegrams, &c. ..	47	6	0
Travelling Expenses in 10 European Countries ...	1,891	7	0
Return ticket to Colombo (2nd Class)..	420	0	0
Do to Madras ..	50	0	0
Sundry Expenses on Steamer.	27	8	0
Harbour Dues ...	9	12	0
	3,086	3	0
Balance...	1,809	14	0
Total Rs...	4,896	1	0

To

The President of the Theosophical Society.

Dear Sir and Brother :—In accordance with Rule 29 of the Rules as revised Society's accounts should be certified annually by auditors, we have carefully exa- December 1900 and have found them correct. The several items of receipts and remitted the money, and in the latter case by receipts from the parties who received

We beg to suggest for the favourable consideration of the President that a for the entry of loans and advances recovered from servants and other borrowers, in advances outstanding at the end of the year may be seen at a glance.

Account current of Theosophical Society for the period from

Particulars of Receipts.	Receipts.											
	By Cash.			By transfer.			Total.			Grand Total.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 26th December 1899.												
Permanent Fund ...							25,113	8	7			
Anniversary do ..							18	9	3			
Library do ...							226	15	10			
Headquarters do ...							1,329	0	5			
Subba Row Medal do ...							1,246	6	10			
White Lotus do ...							253	0	0			
President Founder's do ...							...	...	...			
Founders do ...							...	..	...	28,187	8	11
Total...							28,187	8	11			
Receipts in 1900.												
Permanent Fund ...	525	3	0	...	...	...	525	3	0			
Anniversary do ...	904	8	0	420	0	0	1,324	8	0			
Library do ..	1,123	9	7	735	0	0	1,858	9	7			
Headquarters do ...	6,522	3	10	652	3	2	7,174	7	0			
Subba Row Medal do ...	38	9	0	...	...	...	38	9	0			
White Lotus do ...	108	4	0	...	..	...	108	4	0			
President Founders' do ...	4,896	1	0	...	...	...	4,896	1	0			
Founders' Fund do ...	22,478	4	0	...	...	...	22,478	4	0	38,403	13	7
Total...	36,596	10	5	1,807	3	2	38,403	13	7			
Detail of Balances in different Funds on the 20th Decr. 1900. (Rs. A. P.)												
Permanent Fund 25,000 0 0												
Anniversary do 143 12 4												
Library do 115 1 2												
Headquarters do 1,405 9 11												
Subba Row Medal Fund 1,230 9 10												
White Lotus do 338 0 6												
President Founders' Tour Fund 1,809 14 0												
The new Founders' Fund 22,000 0 0												
Total Rs. 52,042 15 9										66,591	6	6

by the General Council at the Convention of December 1897, enjoining that the mined the accounts of the Society for the period from 26th December 1899 to 20th expenditure are supported, in the former case by letters, &c., from the parties who the payments and by accounts signed by Col. Olcott for Bazaar purchases, &c.

separate column, both in the debtor (receipt) and creditor (expenditure) side be opened the former, and of loans and advances given, in the latter, so that the loans and

25*th December* 1899 *to* 2*nd December* 1900.

Particulars of Outlays.	Outlays.											
	By Cash.			By transfer.			Total.			Grand Total.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Permanent Fund ...	638	11	7	...	...	...	638	11	7			
Anniversary do ...	1,199	4	11	...	...	...	1,199	4	11			
Library do ...	1,455	8	3	515	0	0	1,970	8	3			
Headquarters do ...	5,423	2	6	1,674	11	0	6,097	13	6			
Subba Rao Medal do ...	54	6	0	...	...	...	54	6	0			
White Lotus do ...	23	3	6	...	...	...	23	3	6			
President-Founder's tour do ...	3,086	3	0	...	...	...	3,086	3	0			
The Founders' do ...	478	4	0	...	...	...	478	4	0			
Total ..	12,358	11	9	2,189	11	0	14,548	6	9	14,548	6	9
Balance of												
Amount lent to Babu Krishna Row and brother @ 10½ °/₀ on mortgage of lands in the North-West Provinces ...							20,000	0	0			
Amount lent to Mr. O. Cundasawmy Mudaliar, his brother and his minor sons, on mortgage of buildings at 10½ per cent. ...							5,000	0	0			
Do in 6 per cent. ...							12,000	0	0			
Deposit.—												
Do in 3 per cent. Government Promissory Notes, in safe custody at Madras Bank ...							10,000	0	0			
Madras Bank, as per pass book ...							757	5	0			
President-Founders' Tour Fund with Col. Olcott in Madras Bank ...							458	10	0			
Do London and Westminster Bank £90-1-8							1,351	4	0			
Post Office Savings Bank deposit.												
(RS. A. P.) Permanent Fund 10 3 9; Anniversary do 3 2 0; Headquarters do 9 0 0; Library do 6 0 9; Subba Row Medal Fund 1,230 0 0							1,259	0	6			
Cash in London and Westminster Bank, Limited in the name of H. S. Olcott £ 35-1-6 at 16 Rs. and the balance £ 33-15 at Rs. 15 per £. ..							527	7	0			
Postage stamps Rs. 10 0 0 and cash ,, 679 5 3							689	5	3	52,042	15	9
Total Rs...										66,591	6	6

20*th December* 1900.

C. SAMBIAH.
S. V. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR.

PANCHAMA EDUCATION FUND.

1900.

RECEIPTS.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 25th Dec. 1899.	7,490	11	4
Donations :—			
Mr. A. K. Sitarama Sastri, Cuddapah ...	1	0	0
Babu Govinda Das, Benares..	20	0	0
Mrs. Annie Besant do ...	10	0	0
Mr. A. Schwarz, Colombo ...	5	0	0
" D. Gostling, Bombay ...	20	0	0
An European F. T. S., 2nd gift by cheque ...	1,500	0	0
Amount collected by Dr. English for boys ...	10	0	0
Mr. V. K. Desikacharriar, Periakulam ...	0	12	0
Mr. E. Annaswami Mudelliar, Trivellore ..	2	0	0
Miss Elena Adolfovna, Milano, £50 ...	750	0	0
Miss Lilian Edgar, M.A., F.T.S., Australia ...	50	0	0
Rao Bahadur R. Suria Row Naidu, Vizagapatam ..	10	0	0
A friend through Dr. English.	2	0	0
Mr. J. Stcherbatchoff, Ceylon.	25	0	0
Mr. C. Wrenn, Madras ...	10	0	0
Mr. Campbell ...	1	8	0
Part Loan recovered from the Library Fund out of Rs. 1,200 given ...	200	0	0
Part Loan recovered from the *Theosophist* Fund out of Rs. 200 ...	100	0	0
Rent of the Mylapore school house ..	3	0	0
Interest from Thompson and Co., on Mortgage for 1 year	525	0	0
Loan received from Col. Olcott	100	0	0
Government grant for O. F. School ...	175	7	0
Loan received from the *Theosophist* Fund ...	130	0	0
Cash received for a horse sold to the Headquarters ...	220	0	0
Sale of mangoes at Kodambaukam ...	0	9	0
Total Rs...	11,361	15	4

DETAILS.

	RS. A. P.
On Mortgage with Thompson & Co., Madras ...	5,000-0- 0
In Madras Bank...	1,649-0-11
In London and W. M. Bank, Ld., £50-2-0 ...	751-8- 0
Cash in hand ...	212-5- 9
Total ..	7,612-14-8

EXPENSE.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
Purchase of property ...	1,061	8	0
Cost of repairs ...	93	12	1
Salaries of teachers ...	1,136	8	9
Books purchased ...	55	4	5
Cooking Class and Food expenses ..	68	9	2
Rent of the school ground ...	24	0	0
Printing and Stationery ...	101	4	4
Loans returned ...	245	0	0
Loans issued ...	200	0	0
Stable charges, including purchase of a horse and a brougham, &c. ...	698	9	7
House and Municipal Taxes...	11	9	4
Sundries ...	52	15	0
Cash balance in hand...	7,612	14	8
Total Rs...	11,361	15	4

RULES OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

As Revised in General Council, July 9, 1896.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The title of this Society, which was formed at New York, United States of America, on the 17th of November, 1875, is the "Theosophical Society."

2. The objects of the Theosophical Society are:

I. To form a nucleus of the Universal Brotherhood of Humanity, without distinction of race, creed, sex, caste or colour.

II. To encourage the study of comparative religion, philosophy and science.

III. To investigate unexplained laws of Nature and the powers latent in man.

3. The Theosophical Society has no concern with politics, caste rules, and social observances. It is unsectarian, and demands no assent to any formula of belief as a qualification of membership.

Membership.

4. Every application for membership must be made on an authorized form, and must be endorsed by two members of the Society and signed by the applicant; but no persons under age shall be admitted without the consent of their guardians.

5. Admission to membership may be obtained through the President of a Branch, the General Secretary of a Section, or the Recording Secretary; and a certificate of membership shall be issued to the member, bearing the signature of the President-Founder and the seal of the Society, and countersigned by either the General Secretary of the Section or the Recording Secretary of the T. S., according as the applicant resides within a sectionalized or non-sectionalized territory.

Officers.

6. The Society shall have a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer.

7. The President-Founder, Colonel H. S. Olcott, holds the office of President of the Theosophical Society for life, and has the right of nominating his successor, subject to the ratification of the Society.

8. The term of the Presidency is seven years (subject to the exception named in Rule 7).

9. The President shall nominate the Vice-President, subject to election by the Society. The Vice-President's term of office shall expire upon the election of a new President.

10. The appointments to the offices of the Recording Secretary and the Treasurer shall be vested in the President.

11. The President shall be the custodian of all the archives and records of the Society, and shall be one of the Trustees and ad-

ministrators for property of all kinds, of which the Society as a whole is possessed.

12. The President shall have the power to make provisional appointments to fill all vacancies that occur in the offices of the Society,'and shall have discretionary powers in all matters not specifically provided for in these Rules.

13. On the death or resignation of the President, the Vice-President shall perform the presidential duties until a successor takes office.

Organization.

14. Any seven members may apply to be chartered as a Branch, the application to be forwarded to the President through the Secretary of the nearest Section.

15. The President shall have authority to grant or refuse applications for charters, which, if issued, must bear his signature and the seal of the Society, and be recorded at the Headquarters of the Society.

16. A Section may be formed by the President of the Society, upon the application of seven or more chartered Branches.

17. All Charters of Sections or Branches, and all certificates of membership, derive their authority from the President, and may be cancelled by the same authority.

18. Each Branch and Section shall have the power of making its own Rules, provided they do not conflict with the general rules of the Society, and the Rules shall become valid unless their confirmation be refused by the President.

19. Every Section must appoint a General Secretary, who shall be the channel of communication between the President and the Section.

20. The General Secretary of each Section shall forward to the President, annually, not later than the 1st day of November, a report of the work of his Section up to that date, and at any time furnish any further information the President may desire.

Administration.

21. The general control and administration of the Society is vested in a General Council, consisting of the President, Vice-President and the General Secretaries.

22. No person can hold two offices in the General Council.

Election of President.

23. Six months before the expiration of a President's term of office his successor shall be nominated by the General Council, and the nomination shall be sent out by the Vice-President to the General Secretaries and Recording Secretary. Each General Secretary shall take the votes of his Section according to its rules, and the Recording Secretary shall take those of the remaining members

of the Society. A majority of two-thirds of the recorded votes shall be necessary for election.

Headquarters.

24. The Headquarters of the Soctety are established at Adyar, Madras, India.

25. The Headquarters and all other property of the Society, including the Adyar Library, the permanent and othar Funds, are vested in the Trustees, for the time being, of the Theosophical Society appointed or acting under a Deed of Trust, dated the 14th day of December, 1892, and recorded in the Chingleput District Office, Madras, India.

Finance.

26. The fees payable to the General Treasury by Branches *not comprised within the limits of any Section* are as follows: For Charter, £1; for each Certificate of Membership, 5*s.*; for the Annual Subscription of each member, 5*s.* or equivalents.

27. Unattached Members not belonging to any Section or Branch shall pay the usual 5*s.* Entrance Fee and an Annual Subscription of £1 to the General Treasury.

28. Each Section shall pay into the General Treasury one-fourth of the total amount received by it from annual dues and entrance fees.

29. The Treasurer's accounts shall be yearly certified as correct by qualified auditors appointed by the President.

Meetings.

30. The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held at Adyar and Benares alternately, in the month of December.

31. The President shall also have the power to convene special meetings at discretion.

Revision.

32. The rules of the Society remain in force until amended by the General Council.

True Copy. Official.

H. S. OLCOTT, P. T. S.

C. W. LEADBEATER,
Secretary to the Meeting of Council.

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* [Written thus, the name of the City of New York goes as one word.]

BRANCHES

OF THE

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

(*Corrected up to December* 1900).

INDIAN SECTION.

INDIAN SECTION.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Adoni ...	The Adoni T.S. ...	1882	Mr. V. Rama Chetty Garu...	Mr. R. Sambasiva Row ..	Secretary of the Municipality, Adoni, Dt. Bellary.
Adyar ...	The Adyar Lodge T. S. ...	1897	Dr. W. A. English ...	Mr. V. C. Seshâ Châriar, B.A., B.L.	High Court Vakil, Mylapur, Madras.
Ahmedabad ...	The Ahmedabad Branch T.S.	1899	Mr. Ganesh Gopâl Pandit, B.A.	Mr. Indravadan Madhuvacharâm Horâ.	Bhadra, Ahmedabad.
Aligarh ...	The Aryan Patriotic T. S...	1898*	Kumar Lukshmi Narain Dube.	Babu Kedârnâth Chatterji ...	Pleader, Aligarh, N.-W. P.
Ambasamudram ...	The Ambasamudram T. S....	1889	Mr. G. P. Nilakantier ...	Mr. H. T. Subbasâmi Aiyar ...	Pleader, Ambasamudram.
Amritsar ...	The Jignyâsâ T. S. ...	1896	Mr. Harjirâm ...	Mr. Amolakrâm ...	Bazaar, Sirki Bandan, Amritsar.
Amraoti ...	The Amraoti T. S. ..	1900	Mr. N. M. Desai ...	Mr. Vishwanâth Kâshinâth Kali.	Pleader, Amraoti, Berar.
Anantapur ...	The Anantapur T. S. ...	1885	Mr. P. Veeranna Naidu Garu.	Mr. M. Subramaniaiya ...	Vernacular Head Clerk, Collector's Office, Anantapur.
Ariyalur ...	The Nrisimha T. S. ...	1900	Mr. M. J. Sundaraiyar ...	N. S. Vâsudeva ...	Ariyalur.
Arni ...	The Arni T. S. ...	1885	......	Mr. V. Subba Row ...	Secretary, Arni T.S.
Arrah ...	The Arrah T. S. ...	1882*	Babu Kailash Chandra Banerji, M.A., B.L.	Babu Kisori Lal Halder, B.L...	Secretary, T.S., Arrah.
Baidyanath ...	The Brahma Vidyâ Sabha T. S.	1899	Babu Abinash Chandra Banerji, B.A.	Rai Bahadur Baroda Prasad Basu.	Retired Executive Engineer, Baidyanath-Deoghur.
Bangalore ...	The Bangalore Cantonment T. S.	1886	Mr. T. C. Mohaswamy Pillai.	Mr. A. Singâravalu Moodelliar.	Resident's Office, Bangalore.

Bankipore ...	The Behar T. S. ...	1882	Babu Purnendu Narain Sinha, M.A., B.L.	Babu Siva Sankar Sahay ...	Pleader, Bankipur.
Bansbaria ...	The Bansbaria T. S. ...	1900	Rajah Kshibendra Deb Roy Mahachoy.	Babu Pasupatināth Chatterji...	Bansbariah, Hooghly.
Bara-Banki ...	The Gyanodaya T. S. ...	1883	Pandit Parmeshwari Das ...	......	(*Pres.*) Govt. Pleader, Bara-Banki.
Bareilly ...	The Rohilkhund T.S ...	1881	Pandit Cheda Lal, B.A. ...	Rai Bishan Lal, M.A., LL.B ...	High Court Vakil, Bareilly.
Baroda ...	The Rewah T. S. ...	1882	Rao Bahadur Janārdan Sakhāram Gadgil, B.L.	Rao Sahib Maneklal Ghelabai-Jhaveri.	Baroda.
Bellary ...	The Bellary T. S. ...	1882	Hon'ble Rai Bahadur A. Sabhāpati Moodallier.	Mr. B. P. Narasimmiah, B.A....	Translator, Dist. Court, Bellary
Benares ...	The Kasi Tatwa Sabha T. S.	1885	Babu Jogendranath Ghose, B.A., LL.B.	Babu Bireshwar Banerji, M.A...	Professor, Central Hindu College, Benares City.
Berhampore ...	The Ādi Bhautic Bhrātri T.S.	1881	Babu Dinanath Ganguli ...	Babu Nafar Das Roy ...	Zemindar, Gorābazar, Berhampore.
Bezwada ...	The Bezwada T.S. ...	1887	Mr. T. Venkatanarasiah ...	Mr. S. Gopayya, B.A., B.L. ...	Pleader, Munsiff's Court, Bezwada.
Bhagalpore ...	The Bhagalpore T.S. ...	1881	Babu Parbati Charan Mukherji.	Mr. Devi Prasad ...	Shekandarpur, Bhagalpore.
Bhavnagar ...	The Bhavnagar T. S. ...	1882	Raval Sri Prince Harisinhji Rupsinhji	Mr. J. N. Unwalla, M.A. ...	Principal, Samaldās College, Bhavnagar, Kathiawar.
Bombay ...	The Blavatsky Lodge T. S.	1880	Mr. D. Gostling ...	Mr. Ramachandra Purushotham Kamat.	37, Hornby Row, Fort, Bombay.

* The date of revival.

Indian Section.—(*Continued.*)

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Broach ...	The Atma Vidya Lodge T.S.	1892*	Rao Bahadur Mohlal Chuni Lal ...	Mr. Sinajram Jamiabram Thaker.	Lalubhai's Peit, Lalubhai's Chakler, Broach.
Calcutta ...	The Bengal T. S. ...	1882	Hon'ble Norendra Nath Sen.	Babu Hirendranath Dutt, M.A., B.L.	139, Cornwallis Street, Calcutta.
Cawnpore ...	The Chohan T. S. ...	1882	Babu Devi Pada Roy ...	Babu Haran Chandra Deb ...	Translator, Judge's Court, Cawnpore.
Chapra ...	The Chapra T. S. ...	1899	Babu Tej Chandra Mukherji ...	Babu Gopi Krishna Chandra...	Head Master, Chapra Institution, Chapra, Behar.
Chingleput ...	The Chingleput T. S. ...	1883	Mr. D. Raghurama Row ...	Mr. K. K. Krishnier, B.A. ...	Head Master, Native High School, Chingleput.
Chittore ...	The Chittore T. S. ...	1887	Mr. C. Bhashyam Iyengar...	Mr. C.M. Duraswamy Mudaliar, B.A., B.L.	District Court Vakil, Chittore.
Cocanada ...	The Gautama T. S. ...	1885	Mr. K. Perraju ...	Mr. V. Venkata Rayudu ...	First-grade Pleader, Cocanada.
Coimbatore ...	The Coimbatore T. S. ...	1883	Mr. T. Sadasivaiyar, B.A., B.L.	Mr. S. N. Ramaswamy Iyer ...	Pleader, Coimbatore.
Colombo ...	The Hope Lodge T. S. ...	1898†	Mrs. M. M. Higgins ...	Miss C. Kofel ...	Musaeus School and Orphanage for Buddhist Girls, Cinnamon Gardens, Colombo.
Comilla ...	The Tatwagnana Sabha T. S.	1889	Prince Rajkumar Navadvipchandra Dev Varman Bahadur.	Babu Chanda Kumar Guha ...	Sheristadar, Collectorate, Comilla, Tipperah, East Bengal.
Conjeeveram ...	The Satyavrata T. S. ...	1897	Mr. N. Venkata Raghava Iyer.	Mr. Venkatâchâriar ...	19, Yathotkâri Sannadhi Street, L. Conjeeveram.

Cuddalore ...	The Cuddalore T. S. ...	1883‡	Mr. M. Tillanâyagam Pillai..	Mr. R. Venkata Row ...	Pleader, District Munsiff's Court, Cuddalore.
Cuddapah ...	The Cuddapah T. S. ...	1886	Mr. A. Nanjundappa, B.A., B.L.	Mr. C. Ramaiya Garu, B.A., B.L.	Secretary, Municipal Council, Cuddapah.
Dehra-Dun ...	The Dehra-Dun T. S. ...	1892	Lala Baldeo Sing ...	Babu Ishan Chandra Dev, B.A.	G. T. Survey Office, N.-W. P., Dehra-Dun.
Delhi ...	The Indraprastha T. S. ...	1883	......	Babu Dharam Das Mukherji...	Accountant, E. J. Canal, Delhi.
Dharampor ...	The Ramjayanti T. S	1897	Mr. Harpatram Harmukhram Mehta.	Mr. Dahyabhai Vasanji Desai..	Assistant Master, English School, Dharampor.
Dharmapuri ...	The Darmapuri Lodge T. S..	1898	Mr. C. Kuppuswamy Iyer ..	Mr. Ramaswami Naiker ...	Mittadar, Dharmapuri, Dt. Salem.
Durbhanga ...	The Durbhanga T. S. ...	1883	Babu Vindyânâth Jha ...	Babu Gangânâth Jha, M.A. ...	Durbhanga.
Ellore ...	The Gupta Vidya T. S. ...	1887	Mr. D. Srirâmulu ..	......	(*Pres.*) First-grade Pleader, Subordinate Judge's Court, Ellore.
Erode ...	The Erode T. S. ...	1891‡	Mr. T. T. Rangâchâriar ...	Mr. C. S. Subramania Aiyar, B.A., B.L.	Pleader, Erode.
Fatehgarh ...	The Gnana Marga T. S. ...	1885	Munshi Bakhtwar Lal, B.A...	Lala Har Prasad ...	Head Clerk, R. M. Railway Loco. Office, Fatehgarh, N.-W. P.
Fyzabad ...	The Ayodhya T. S. ...	1883§	......	Babu Avadh Behary Lal ...	Teacher, Collegiate School, Fyzabad.
Ghazipore ...	The Ghazipore T. S. ...	1883‖	Kumar Bharat Singh, C.S...	Pande Ram Saran Lal ...	Koylaghat, Ghazipur.
Gooty ...	The Gooty T. S. ...	1883	Mr. J. Srinivasa Rao ...	Mr. M. Subba Row ...	Pleader, Gooty.

* Revised and Rechartered, 1900. † The year of amalgamation with the Section. ‡ Revived in 1900. § Revived in 1898. ‖ Revived in 1899.

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Gorakhpur ...	The Sarva Hitkari T. S. ...	1883	......	Babu Haridâs Dâs ...	Govt. Pensioner, Naya Bazaar, Gorakhpur.
Gudiwada ...	The Gudiwada T. S. ...	1898	......	Mr. T. Gopâlkrishna Mûrti ...	Second-grade Pleader, Gudiwada.
Gujranwallah ...	The Gujranwallah Centre ...	1894	Mr. Ralla Ram Arora ...	Mr. Dewan Chandra Varma ...	Sub-Overseer, Lane Mull Singh Kapur, Gujranwallah.
Guntur ...	The Krishna T. S. ...	1882	Mr. A. M. Sundarasivaiyar...	Mr. K. Pundarikâkshudu ...	Guntur.
Guntur ...	The Sadvichar T. S. ...	1891	Mr. Chegu Kanakarathna Garu.	Mr. S. Ramasami Gupta Garu.	Merchant, Guntur.
Gya ...	The Gya T. S. ...	1882	Babu Harihar Nath Sircar...	Babu Nilkant Sahay ...	Pleader, Gya, Behar.
Habigunj ...	The Habigunj T. S. ...	1897	......	Babu Mahim Chandra Dutt, M.A., B.L.	Pleader, Habigunj.
Hajipur ...	The Hajipur Centre ...	1899	......	Babu Dhurandhar Prasad, B.L.	Hajipur, Behar.
Harur ...	The Harur T. S. ...	1900	Mr. C. Seshagiri Row ...	Mr. C. V. Sâminadha Aiyar ...	Sub-Registrar. Harur, Salem District.
Hooghly ...	The Hooghly T. S. ...	1899	Babu Hari Charan Roy, M.A.	Dr. Prasad Das Mullick, M.A....	Druggists Hall, Hooghly.
Hyderabad (Deccan)	The Hyderabad T. S. ...	1882	Mr. Dorabji Dosabhoy ...	Mr. Jehangir Sorabji ...	Chadder Ghat, Hyderabad, (Deccan).
Jallandhur ...	The Tatwagnana Pracharni T. S.	1893	Babu Sandeeram ...	Babu Sawan Mul ...	Busteegoozan, Jallandhur, Punjab.

Jamalpore ...	The Jamalpore T. S. ...	1882	Mr. B. J. Ellias ...	Babu Kali Bhushan Roy ...	Loco. Office, Jamalpore.
Jubbulpore ...	The Bhrigu Kshetra T. S....	1883	Babu Kalicharan Bose, B. A.	Mr. Govind Prasad ...	Clerk, Dist. Engr's. Office, G. I. P. Ry., Jubbulpore, C. P.
Kanigiri ...	The Olcott T. S. ...	1890	Mr. T. Varadarâjulu Naidu Garu.	Mr. A. V. Ramânuja Charlu ...	Pleader, Munsiff's Court, Kanigiri.
Kapurthala ...	The Kapurthala T. S. ...	1883	Sirdar Bhagat Singh ...	Lala Harichand ...	Judicial Assistant, Kapurthala, Punjab.
Karachi ...	The Karachi T. S. ...	1896	Mr. Cavasji Eduljee Anklesarai.	Mr. Damodar Visbram ...	c/o Messrs. Ewart Ryric & Company, Karachi.
Karur ...	The Karur T. S. ...	1885	Mr. M. J. Padmanâbha Iyer.	......	(*Pres.*) Second-grade Pleader, Karur.
Kumbaconam ...	The Kumbaconum T. S. ...	1883	Dr. A. Vythiswara Sastrial, L. M. S.	Mr. C. Krishnasami Aiyar ...	Second-grade Pleader, Kumbaconam.
Krishnagiri ...	The Krishnagiri T. S. ...	1897	Mr. A. Srinivâsa Iyangar ...	Mr. Dharmaram Seshagiri Iyer	Pleader, Krishnagiri, District Salem.
Kulitalai ...	The Kulitalai T. S. ...	1900	Mr. S. Râmaswâmi Aiyangar, B. A., B. L.	Mr. G. Râmachandra Aiyar, B. A., B. L.	Pleader, Kulitalai.
Kurnool ...	The Satkâlakshepa T. S. ...	1883	Mr. T. Chidambara Row ...	Mr. C. Venkataramiah ..	Collector's Office, Kurnool.
Lahore ...	The Lahore T. S. ...	1887	Mr. Motilal Ghosh ...	Pandit Ikbalnath Taimini ...	Superintendent, Reve. Secretariat, Jummoo.
Lucknow ...	The Satya Marga T. S. ...	1892	Rai Naraindas Bahadur ...	Babu Mirtunjaya Chatterji, B.A.	Head Clerk, General Department, Office of the Post-Master-General, Lucknow.

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Ludhiana ...	The Ludhiana T. S. ..	1891	Rai B. K. Lahiri ..	Babu A. C. Bisvas ..	Clerk, Deputy Commissioner's Office, Ludhiana.
Madanapalle ...	The Jignasa T. S. ...	1891	Mr. S. V. Sundara Charlu ...	Mr. R. Seshagiri Row ...	Pleader, Madanapalle, District Cuddapah.
Madras ...	The Madras T. S. ...	1882	Mr. Koralla Subbarâyadu Garu.	Mr. C. R. Krishnamâchâriar, B. A., B. L.	High Court Vakil, 30, Kapal Poluchetty Street, Madras, or No. 340, Mint Street, Madras.
Madura ..	The Madura T. S. ...	1883	Mr. P. Nârâyan Iyer, B.A., B.L.	Mr. A. Rangaswâmy Iyer, B. A., B. L.	High Court Vakil, Madura.
Malegaon ...	The Malegaon T. S. ...	1897	Rao Bahadur Dadoba Sakharam.	Dr. Krishnagir Anandgir ...	Malegaon.
Markapur ...	The Keshava Samajam or Lodge T. S.	1900	Mr. C. Rajagopaul Row, B.A.	Mr. T. Râmakrishnaiya ...	Pleader, Markapur.
Masulipatam ...	The Masulipatam T. S. ...	1887	Kota Ananda Row ...	Mr. V. Venkataseshaiya ...	Srikillipetta, Masulipatam.
Meerut ...	The Meerut T. S. ...	1882	Babu Râma Prasâd, M.A. ...	......	(*Pres.*) Pleader, Meerut.
Midnapore ...	The Midnapore T. S. ...	1883	Babu Girish Chander Mittra.	Babu Ishan Chandra Singh ...	Pleader, Judge's Court, Midnapore.
Monghyr ...	The Monghyr T. S. ...	1887	Babu Satcorie Mukerji ...	......	Behar.
Motihari ...	The Motihari T. S. ...	1896	Babu Ramballabh Misra, M.A.	Babu Nando Lal Bhattacharjee, M. A., B. L.	Pleader, Motihari.

Muttra ...	The Muttra T. S. ...	1891	Pandit Jai Narain Bararu, C. E.	Dr. Ramji Mull, L. M. S. ...	Medical Hall, Muttra City.
Multan ...	The Multan T. S. ...	1886	Rai Bahadur Harichand ..	......	(*Pres.*) Pleader, Multan City.
Muzaffarpur ...	The Muzaffarpur T. S. ...	1890	Jnânendra Nâth Deb, B. A....	Babu Raghunandana Prasâda S'arma.	Zemindar of Mahamedpur Susta, *via* Silout, T. S. Railway, Muzaffarpur Dt.
Naini Tal ...	The Kurmachal T. S. ...	1888	Babu Lakshmi Nârâyan Banerji.	Babu Hira Lal ...	Allahabad Bank, Ltd., Naini Tal, N.-W. P.
Namakal ...	The Namakal T. S. ...	1897	Mr. S. Sundara Iyer ...	Mr. N. V. Anantarâm Aiyar ...	Pleader, Namakal.
Nandalur ...	The Nandalur T. S. ...	1900	Mr. P. Gopâla Krishna Aiyar	Mr. C. Seshachala Aiyar ...	Pleader, Nandalur, Cuddapah District.
Nandyal ..	The Nandyal T. S. ...	1898	Mr. B. Koneri Row Garu ...	Mr. C. Subramani Aiyar ...	Nandyal.
Narasaravupet ...	The Narasaravupet T. S. ...	1891	Mr. T. Anjaneya Sastri ...	Mr. K. Viyyanna Pantulu ...	Pleader, Narasaravupet.
Nellore ...	The Nellore T. S. ...	1882	Mr. V. Sundararamaiya, B. A.	Mr. B. Ranga Reddy ..	Collector's Office, Nellore.
Nilphamari ...	The Nilphamari T. S. ...	1892	Babu Jânakinâth Biswas ...	Babu Rajani Kanta Sirkar ...	Pleader, Nilphamari, Bengal.
Ongole ...	The Ongole T. S. ...	1891	Mr. T. Swâmy Iyer Avergal, B. A.	Mr. B. Lachminârâyana Row ..	Pleader, Ongole.
Ootacamund ...	The Dodabetta T. S. ...	1883	Major-General H.R. Morgan	Mr. L. Sethu Aiyar ...	Head Clerk, Forest Office, Ootacamund.
Palghat ...	The Malabar T. S. ...	1882	Mr. V. Vengu Iyer ...	Mr. S. Veerarâghava Iyer ...	S'ekharipuram, Palghat.
Patukota ...	The Patukota Lodge T. S....	1898	Mr. A. C. Kannan Nambyar.	Mr. S. Râmaswami Aiyar ...	Pleader, Patukota, Tanjore Dt.
Purasawalkam .	The Sri Râma Lodge T. S...	1898	Mr. M. A. Chinnayya Pillai..	Mr. G. Runganatha Mudaliar..	7, Kariappa Mudali St., Purasawalkam.

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Penukonda ...	The Penukonda T. S. ..	1893	Mr. A. Râmachendria ...	Mr. N. Kûrattalwar ...	Head-Master, Board Lower Secondary School, Penukonda.
Periyakulam ...	The Periyakulam T. S. ...	1884	Mr. V. Râmabhadra Naidu...	Mr. R. Sundara Râjamaiyar ...	Sanitary Inspector, Municipality, Periyakulam.
Poona ...	The Poona T. S. ...	1882	Khan Bahadur Naoroji Dorabji Khandalwalla.	Mr. Rajana Linga ...	Pleader, Malcolum Tank Road, Poona.
Poonamalle ...	The Poonamalle Lodge T. S.	1898	......	Mr. T. Râmakrishnaiyar ...	Poonamalle, Chingleput.
Rajahmundry ...	The Rajahmundry T. S. ...	1887	T. Gopâla Krishna ...	Mr. K. Râma Brahmam Garu..	Rajahmundry.
Rajkot ...	The Rajkot Branch T. S. ..	1899	Rao Bahadur Ganpat Rao Nârâyan Land.	Mr. Raoji Râmji Pavlokar ...	Rajkotpura, Kathiawar.
Ramdaspur ...	The Ramdaspur Centre T.S.	1899	......	Babu Devanandan Prasad ...	Village Ramdaspur, Sondhu P. O. *Via* Garaul, T. S. Ry., Dt., Muzaffarpur.
Rangoon ...	The Shavai Daigon T. S. ...	1885	Mr. Taw Sein Ko. ...	Mr. Maung Aung Thine ...	Assistant Government Translator, Burma Secretariat, Rangoon.
Do.	The Rangoon T. S. ...	1885	Mr. N. G. Cholmely, B.A., C.S.	Mr. T. M. Râmaswâmi Aiyar...	Clerk, Custom House, Rangoon.
Rawalpindi ...	The Rawalpindi T. S. ...	1881	Babu Shyama Charan Bose..	Babu Dharendra Kumâr Banerji.	Rawalpindi.
Rayadrug ...	The Brahma Vidya Branch T. S.	1898	Mr. V. Subbarâya Mudaliar..	Mr. R. Obala Row ...	Late Head Master, Rayadrug School, Rayadrug.

Salem	The Salem T. S.	1897	Mr. V. Krishnaswâmi Aiyar.	Mr. U. Venkatarâma Aiyar, B.A., B.L.	High Court Vakil, Salem.
Sangrur	The Sangrur T. S.	1896	Babu Ragunâth Das	Mr. Shazad Singh	Translator, Foreign Office, Sangrur, Jind State, Punjab.
Satur	The Satur T. S.	1897	......	Mr. M. V. Bhagwanta Row	Second Grade Pleader, Satur, Tinnevelly Dt.
Secunderabad	The Secunderabad T. S.	1882	Mr. Bezonji Aderji	Mr. Kavasha Eduljee	Pleader, Tower Street, Secundrabad, Deccan.
Sholinghur	The Sholinghur T. S.	1889	Mr. J. Swâminathaiyar, B.A.	Mr. M. Subramani Aiyar	Pleader, Sholinghur, North Arcot.
Simla	The Himalayan Esoteric T.S.	1882*	Babu Kumud Chandra Mukherjee.	Babu Bal Govind	Librarian, United Service Club, Chota Simla Bazaar, Simla.
Sivaganga	The Sivaganga T. S.	1897	Mr. K. Annâswâmy Iyer	Mr. M. S. Sankaraiyar, B.A.	Sheristadar, Lessees' Head Office, Sivaganga.
Siwan	The Siwan T. S.	1899	Pt. Râm Bhujawan Punde	Pt. Baldeo Sahai	Nagir, Munsiff's Court, Siwan.
Srinagar	The Kashyapa T. S.	1900	Pt. Vas Kak Dur	Pt. Ananda Kaul	4th Bridge, Srinagar.
Srirangam	The Srirangam T. S.	1900	Mr. C. Sámbasiva Iyer	Mr. S. M. Râja Râm Rao	West Chitra Street, Srirangam.
Srivaikuntam	The Srivaikuntam T. S.	1897	Mr. V. Veeraraghava Iyer	Mr. S. T. Ponnambalanâtha Mudaliar.	Pleader, Srivaikuntam, Tinnevelly Dt., Madras Presidency.
Surat	The Sanatan Dharma Sabha T. S.	1887	Mr. Nautamrâm Uttamrâm Trivedi.	Mr. Ghelabhai Lalabhai	Satan Falia, Surat.
Tumluk	The Tamralipti T. S.	1889	Babu Umânath Ghosal	Dr. Saśi Bhusan Mukherjee	Assistant Surgeon, Tumluk.

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Tanjore ...	The Tanjore T. S. ...	1883	Mr. M. Natarâja Iyer ...	Mr. T. Sadâsiva Row ...	High Court Vakil, Tanjore.
Tenali ...	The Tenali T. S. ...	1900	Mr. V. Bhavanashari ...	Mr. D. Purushottam ...	Pleader, Tenali, Krishna Dt.
Tindivanam ...	The Tindivanam T. S. ...	1900	Mr. M. Umâpathi Mudaliar.	Mr. V. Muthuswâmiah, B.A. ...	Second Grade Pleader, Tindivanam.
Tinnevelly ...	The Tinnevelly T. S. ...	1881	Mr. T. A. Anantaram Aiyar	Mr. S. Râmachendra S'astri ...	Clerk, District Court, Tinnevelly.
Tirupati ...	The Srinivasa Lodge T. S....	1898	Mr. V. S'esha Aiyar, B. A. ...	Mr. Chella Râmkrishnaiya ...	Clerk, District Munsiff's Court, Tirupati.
Tirupatur ...	The Brahma Vichara Lodge T. S.	1894	Mr. V. S'esha Aiyar, B.A., B.L.	Mr. T. Ramânujam Pillai ...	Sub-Engineer, P. W. D., Tirupatur, (Salem).
Tirukoilur ...	The Tirukoilur T. S. ...	1900	Mr. R. Sundaresa Mudaliyar.	Mr. P. S. Venkatarâmier ...	Second Grade Pleader, S. Arcot District.
Tirur ...	The Tirur T. S. ...	1894	......	Mr. C. S. Âdinârâyana Aiyar...	Pleader, Tirur, Malabar.
Tiruturaipundi ...	The Bilwa Aranya Lodge T. S.	1898	Mr. T. K. Âtmanâtha S'astriyal.	Mr. P. B. Sambantha Mudaliar.	Civil Apothecary, Tiruturaipundi.
Tiruvallur ...	The Veerarâghava Lodge T. S.	1898	Mr. M. Chinnappa Pillai ...	Mr. E. Annâswâmi Mudaliar ...	Medical Officer, Tiruvallur, Chingleput District.
Tiruvalur ...	The Tiruvalur T. S. ...	1891	Mr. N. Vaidyanathier ...	Mr. T. K. Râmaswamier ...	2nd Grade Pleader, Tiruvalur, Tanjore District.
Trichinopoly ...	The Trichinopoly T. S. ...	1883	Mr. K. Vâsudeva Aiyangar...	Mr. N. Harihara Iyer, B.A., B.L.	Pleader, Trichinopoly, (S.I.Ry.)

Triplicane ...	The Parthasarathy Lodge T. S.	1898	Mr. R. Shadagopachâriar, B. A., B. L.	Mr. K. Subba Row ...	Clerk, Chief Secretariat, Nallathamby Street, Triplicane, Madras.
Vedaraniem ...	The Vedavichara Sabha T.S.	1898	Mr. T. C. Râmachendra Row.	Mr. N. Pichai Pillay ...	Retired Tahsildar, Vedaraniem.
Vellore ...	The Vellore T. S. ..	1884	Mr. P. Venkata Kanniah Garu.	Mr. Krishnaswâmy Iyer ...	Pleader, Vellore.
Villupuram ...	The Vasudeva T. S. ...	1900	Mr. V. Rangâchâry ...	Mr. S. Iyyâswâmy Aiyar ...	Villupuram.
Vizagapatam ...	The Vizagapatam T. S. ...	1887	Rai Bahadur Sûrya Row ...	Mr. P. T. S'rinivâsiengar, M. A..	Principal, Hindu College, Vizagapatam.
Vriddhachalam ...	The Vriddhachalam T. S. ...	1900	......	Mr. B. Sanjeevi Row ...	Pleader, Vriddhachalam.
Wai ...	The Wai Centre ...	1899	Rai Bahadur Janârdan Sakharan Gadgil ...	Mr. Ganesh R. Vaidya ...	Wai, Satara.
Walajahnagar ...	The Walajah-Ranipet Lodge T. S.	1898	Mr. T. P. Narasimha Châriar.	Mr. W. Vijiarâghava Mudeliar.	Pleader, Walajahnagar, North Arcot.

Dormant Branches.—Indian Section.

Place.	Name of Branch.	Date of Charter.	Place.	Name of Branch.	Date of Charter.
Agra ...	Agra T. S.	1893	**Chittagong** ...	The Chittagong T. S.	1887
Allahabad ...	The Prayag T. S.	1881	**Chakdighi** ...	The Chakdighi T. S.	1883
Almorah ...	The Tatwa Bodhini Sabha T. S. ...	1893	**Chinsurah** ...	The Chinsurah T. S.	1883
Arcot ...	Arcot T. S.	1884	**Coimbatore** ..	The Satchidananda Centre... ...	1895
Bangalore ...	The Bangalore City T. S.	1886	**Dacca** ...	The Dacca T. S.	1883
Barakar ...	The Sadhu Sanga T. S.	1892	**Darjeeling** ...	The Kanchinjunga T. S.	1882
Bankura ...	The Sanjeevan T. S.	1883	**Dindigul** ...	The Dindigul T. S.	1884
Barisal ...	The Barisal T. S.	1887	**Dumraon** ...	The Dumraon T. S.	1883
Beauleah ...	The Rajshahye Harmony T. S. ...	1883	**Ernacolum** ...	The Ernacolum T. S.	1891
Bettiah ..	The Bettiah Centre T. S.	1899	**Hoshangabad** ...	The Narbudda T. S.	1885
Bhawani ...	The Bhawani T. S.	1893	**Howrah** ...	The Howrah T. S.	1883
Bhawanipur ...	The Bhawani T. S.	1883	**Jalpaiguri** ...	The Jalpaiguri T. S.	1889
Bolaram ...	The Bolaram T. S.	1882	**Jand** ...	The Jand Centre	1894
Buland Shahar ...	The Baron T. S.	1887	**Jessore** ...	The Tatwagnana Sabha	1883
Burdwan ...	The Brahma-Vidya Lodge T. S. ..	1883	**Jeypore** ...	The Joypore T. S.	1882
Calcutta ...	The Ladies T. S.	1882	**Karwar** ...	The North Canara T. S.	1883

Krishnaghur	The Nuddea T. S.	...	Rai Bareilly	The Gyanavardhini T. S.	1883
Kuch Behar	The Kuch Behar T. S.	1890	Rajmahal	The Rajmahal T. S.	1887
Mannargudi	The Mannargudi T. S.	1889	Ranchi	The Chota Nagpore T. S.	1887
Mayaveram	The Mayaveram T. S.	1891	Rangoon	The Irawadi T. S.	1885
Moradabad	The Atma Bodh T. S.	...	Searsole	The Searsole T. S.	1883
Muddehpoorah	The Muddehpoorah T. S.	1881	Seoni Chapra	The Seoni T. S.	1885
Mysore	The Mysore T. S.	1896	Sholapore	The Sholapore T. S.	1882
Nagpur	The Nagpur T. S.	1885	Siliguri	The Siliguri T. S.	1885
Narail	The Narial T. S.	1883	Simla	The Simla Eclectic T. S.	1881
Nassik	The Nassik T. S.	1891	Srivilliputtur	The Natchiyar T. S.	1883
Negapatam	The Negapatam T. S.	1883	Tirupattur (Madura District)	The Tirupattur T. S.	1884
Noakhali	The Noakhali T. S.	1886	Trevandram	The Trevandram T. S.	1883
Orai	The Orai T. S.	1886	Udamalpet	The Udamalpet T. S.	1894
Pahartali	The Maha Muni T. S.	1887	Umballa	The Umballa T. S.	1891
Pakur	The Pakur T. S.	1891	Vaniyambadi	The Vani Lodge T. S.	1897
Palni	The Palni T. S.	1897	Vizianagaram	The Vasishta T. S.	1884
Paramakudi	The Paramakudi T. S.	1885	Warangal	The Satyavichara T. S.	1891
Pollachi	The Pollachi T. S.	1885			
Prodattur	The Prodattur T. S.	1893			

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Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Chicago, Ill. ...	Chicago T. S. ..	1884	R. H. Randall ...	Mrs. Laura H. Randall ...	Room 426, 26 Van Buren St.
Minneapolis, Minn...	Ishwara T. S. ...	1887	C. G. Hillman ...	Mrs. Harriet C. Dodge ...	1713 Stevens ave.
Muskegon, Mich. ...	Muskegon T. S. ..	1890	F. A. Nims ...	Mrs. Sarah E. Fitz Simons ...	157 Peck Street.
Toronto, Canada ...	Toronto T. S. ...	1891	A. G. Horwood ...	Mrs. Mary Darwin ...	52 Oxford Street.
St. Paul, Minn. ..	St. Paul T. S. ...	1891	Mrs. H. Emma Prudon ...	Miss Maud Simmons ...	524 Cedar Street.
Toledo, Ohio ...	Toledo T. S. ...	1892	Mrs. Kate H. Maguire ...	Mrs. Sarah J. Truax ...	1321 Huron Street.
Los Angeles, Cal. ...	Harmony Lodge T. S. ...	1894	C. O. Haskell ...	Hamilton Michelsen ...	441 23d ave., East L. A.
Chicago, Ill. ...	Shila T. S ...	1894	Mrs. Julia A. Darling ...	Miss Angelina Wann ...	6237 Kimbark ave.
Honolulu, H. I. ...	Aloha T. S. ...	1894	Augustus Marques ...	Mrs. E. M. O. Marques ...	Box 554.
East Las Vegas, N. M. ...	Annie Besant T. S. ...	1895	John Knox Martin ...	Almon F. Benedict ...	P. O. Box 444.
San Francisco, Cal...	Golden Gate Lodge T. S. ..	1895	Wm. J. Walters ...	Mrs. Clara A. Walters ...	Room A. Odd Fellows' B'd'g.
Pasadena, Cal. ...	Unity Lodge T. S. ...	1896	Mrs. Caroline W. Beston ...	Mrs. Mary J. H. Garter ...	Ninde Place.
Seattle, Wash. ...	Ananda Lodge T. S. ...	1896	Thomas A Barnes ...	Mrs. Hattie Mc. L. Randolph ...	918, 34 Ave.
Spokane, Wash. ...	Olympus Lodge T. S. ...	1896	Mrs. L. M. Ashenfelter ...	Dr. Hermione W. Andrews ...	715 Riverside ave.
Butte, Montana Terr.	Butte Lodge T. S. ...	1896	Adolphus B. Keith ...	Carl J. Smith ..	116 N. Main Street.

Sheridan, Wyoming Terr.	Sheridan T. S.	1896	Henry A. Coffeen	Fernando Herbst	...
Minneapolis, Minn.	Yggdrasil T. S.	1897	Niels Juel	Jacob N. Meyer	2523 15th ave., S. E.
Streator, Ill.	Streator T. S.	1897	John E. Williams	George Goulding	...
Buffalo, N. Y.	Fidelity Lodge T. S.	1897	Edward F. Pickett	Mrs. Jennie L. Hooker	1596 Jefferson Street.
Chicago, Ill.	Englewood White Lodge T.S.	1897	Mrs. Maude L. Howard	Miss Estelle C. Reese	623 W. 63rd Street.
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Mercury T. S.	1897	Mrs. Sarah A. McCutcheon.	Mrs. Annie E. Parkhurst	173 Gates ave.
Cleveland, Ohio	Cleveland T. S.	1897	Dr. Quincy J. Winsor	Mrs. Helen B. Olmsted	649 Prospect Street.
New York, N. Y.	New York T. S.	1897	Dr. L M. Homburger	Frank F. Knothe	124 5th ave.
Washington, D. C.	Washington T. S.	1897	Azro J. Cory	Mrs. Sarah M. MacDonald	1315 N Street N. W.
Philadelphia, Pa.	Philadelphia T. S.	1897	...	Miss Anna M. Breadin	3041 Susquehanna ave.
Topeka, Kansas	Topeka T. S.	1897	...	Mrs. Emma B. Greene	1231 Monroe Street.
Chicago, Ill.	Eastern Psychology Lodge T. S.	1897	Mrs. Eva M. Blackman	Herbert A. Harrell	5912 S. State Street.
Denver, Colo.	Isis T. S.	1897	Mrs. Julia H. Scott	Mrs. Ida D. Blakemore	2336 Race Street.
San Diego, Cal.	H. P. B. Lodge T. S.	1897	Mrs. Sylvia A. Leavitt	Edward Meister	1162 5th Street.
Sacramento, Cal.	Sacramento T. S.	1897	Mrs. Mary J. Cravens	Mrs. Eliz. Hughson	1014 18th Street.
Menomonie, Wis.	Menomonie T. S.	1897	John H. Knapp	Dr. Kate Kelsey	...
Kalamazoo, Mich.	Kalamazoo T. S.	1897	Dr. J. W. B. La Pierre	Miss Agnes Bevier	422 Oak Street.
Jackson, Mich.	Jackson T. S.	1897	Mrs. Allie S. Rockwell	John R. Rockwell	Lock Drawer 552.

American Section—(*Continued*).

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Lynn, Mass. ...	Lynn T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Helen A. Smith ...	Nathan A. Bean ...	28 Verona Street
Galesburg, Ill, ...	Galesburg T. S. ...	1897	Dr. David E. Coulson ...	Miss Carol Sykes ...	774 Liberty Street.
Detroit, Mich. ...	Detroit T. S. ...	1897	Dr. M. V. Meddaugh ...	Mrs. Alice E. Meddaugh ...	465 Greenwood ave.
Rochester, N. Y. ...	Blavatsky T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Agnes T. Probst ..	George Hebard ..	153 Carter Street.
Syracuse, N. Y. ...	Central City T. S. ...	1897	Dr. T. C. Walsh ..	Dr. Francis G. Barnes ..	206 Harrison Street.
Boston, Mass. ...	Alpha T. S. ..	1897	Cornelius A. Russell ...	...	...
Kansas City, Mo. ...	Olcott Lodge T. S. ...	1897	Selden M. Burton ...	Mrs. Eliz. M. Wardall ..	910 E. 9th Street.
St. Joseph, Mo. ...	St. Joseph T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Annie M. Goodale ...	Mrs. Anna S. Forgrave ...	1201 Sylvanie Street.
Newton Highlands, Mass. ..	Dharma T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Minnie C. Holbrook ...	Mrs. Florence A. Taylor ..	72 Floral ave.
Creston, Iowa ...	Creston T. S. ...	1898	Jonathan M. Joseph ...	Daniel W. Higbee ..	105 E. Montgomery Street.
Findlay, Ohio ...	Findlay T. S. ...	1898	...	Miss Laura Athey ...	230 W. Front Street.
Lima, Ohio ...	Lima T. S. ...	1898	Louis P. Tolby ...	...	...
New Orleans, La. ...	Louisiana T. S. ...	1898	Miss Caroline Durrive ...	Miss Sidonia A. Bayhi ..	4819 Prytania Street.
Vancouver, B. C. ..	Vancouver T. S. ...	1898	Thos. E. Knapp ...	Wm. Yarco ...	700 Jackson ave.
Indianapolis, Ind. ...	Indiana T. S. ...	1898	Dr. Henry Van Hummell ...	Dr. Helen G. Baldwin ..	725 N. Penna Street.

South Haven, Mich.	South Haven T. S.	1898	Hiram T. Cook	Wm. H. Payne	South Haven, Mich.
Peoria, Ill.	Peoria T. S.	1898	Gustave P. Benezet	Mrs. Ellen G. Smith	2039 Knoxville ave.
Council Bluffs, Iowa	Council Bluffs T. S.	1898	Mrs. Harriot F. Griswold	Mrs. Juliet A. Merriam	201 Eagan Street.
Freeport, Ill.	Freeport T. S.	1898	Chas. H. Little	Wm. Brinsmaid	167 Foley Street.
Lansing, Mich.	Lansing T. S.	1898	Mrs. Jennie L. K. Haner	A. T. Van Dervort	206 S. Capitol ave.
Saginaw, Mich.	Saginaw T. S.	1898	Lincoln E. Brodt	Mrs. Amie A. Hubbard	421 Stark Street, W. S.
St. Louis, Mo.	St. Louis Lodge T. S.	1898	Miss Margaret K. Slater	Miss Eliz. J. Longman	4346 Evans ave.
Oakland, Cal.	Oakland T. S.	1898	Mrs. Sarah E. Merritt	Mrs. Eliza. J. C. Gilbert	University, Berkeley, Cal.
Tacoma, Wash.	Narada T. S.	1899	Mrs. Ida W. Mudgett	Mrs. Mary B. Brook	934½ C. Street.
Tampa, Fla.	Tampa T. S.	1899	Samuel P. Stewart	Mrs. Marietta Cuscaden	...
Leavenworth, Kan.	Leavenworth T. S.	1899	Prof. D. W. McGill	Miss Maude M. Oneel	206 Fifth ave.
Holyoke, Mass.	Holyoke T. S.	1899	Mrs. Orpha Bell	John H. Bell	10 Cottage ave.
Charlotte, Mich.	Charlotte T. S.	1899	...	Mrs. Agnes E. Spencer	...
Pierre, So. Dakota	White Lotus T. S.	1899	Dr. Oscar H. Mann	Mrs. May T. Gunderson	...
Lincoln, Neb.	Luxor Lodge T. S.	1899	Miss Phœbe L. Elliott	Mrs Emma H. Holmes	1144 J. Street.
Dayton, Ohio	Manasa T. S.	1899	Wm. M. Thompson	Mrs. Agnes V. Thompson	106 Plum Street.
Portland, Ore.	Mount Hood Lodge T. S.	1899	Mrs. Abbie C. French	Mrs. Belle J. Morse	395 Salmon Street.
West Superior, Wis.	North Star Lodge T. S.	1900	...	Mrs. Frances P. Murdock	116 Agen Block.
Lewiston, Maine	Lewiston T. S.	1900	Lindley L. Hamilton	Miss Clara L. Hamilton	16 Arch ave.

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Cedar Rapids, Iowa..	Cedar Rapids T. S. ...	1900	...	Albert J. Bohart ...	1212 Fourth ave
Omaha, Neb. ...	Omaha T. S. ...	1900	John J. Points ...	U. Grant Crispell ...	1722 N. Twenty-seventh St.
Corry, Pa. ...	Eltka T. S. ...	1900	Mrs. Helen S. Johnson ...	Mrs. Josephine R. Wilson ...	85 W. Washington Street.
Santa Rosa, Calif. ...	Santa Rosa T. S. ..	1900	Chas. W. Otis ...	Peter van der Linden ...	526 College ave.
Grand Rapids, Mich.	Grand Rapids T. S. ...	1900	Alborne A. Weston ...	Miss Abbie L. Weller ..	103 Lagrane St.
Grand Rapids, Mich.	Valley City T. S. ...	1900	Mrs. Mary J. Clark ..	Miss Euphemia Haberkom ...	294 11th ave.

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EUROPEAN SECTION.

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Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
			Great Britain.		
Bath ...	Bath Lodge ...	1900	Edwin Hill ...	F. Bligh Bond ...	*Sec.*, Alliance Chambers, 31, Corn Street, Bristol.
Birmingham ...	Birmingham Lodge ...	1890*	F. J. Hooper ...	H. M. Chaplin ...	*Sec.*, 44, Douglas Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.
Bournemouth ...	Bournemouth Lodge ...	1892*	H. S. Green ...	Dr. Nunn ...	*Sec.*, Gestingthorpe, Boscombe, Bournemouth.
Bradford ...	Athene Lodge ...	1893	H. Saville ...	Miss E. H. Atkins ...	*Sec.*, 81, Manningham Lane, Bradford.
Brighton ...	Brighton Lodge ...	1890*	......	Dr. Alfred King ...	*Sec.*, 30, Buckingham Place, Brighton.
Bristol ...	Bristol Lodge ...	1893	......	F. Bligh Bond ...	*Sec.*, Alliance Chambers, 31, Corn Street, Bristol.
Edinburgh ...	Edinburgh Lodge ...	1893	G. L. Simpson ...	A. P. Cattanach ...	*Sec.*, 67, Brunswick Street, Edinburgh.
Harrogate ...	Harrogate Lodge ...	1892*	Hodgson Smith ...	Miss Shaw ...	*Sec.*, 7, James Street, Harrogate.
Leeds ...	Leeds Lodge ...	1900	A. R. Oraje ...	W. H. Bean ...	*Sec.*, 21, Kensington Terrace, Hyde Park, Leeds.
Liverpool ...	City of Liverpool Lodge ...	1895	J. H. Duffell ...	Mrs. Gillison ...	*Sec.*, 14, Freehold Street, Fairfield Liverpool.

London ...	Adelphi Lodge ...	1891*	J. M. Watkins ...	S. F. Weguelin-Smith ...	*Sec.*, 2, Doric Villas, King's Road, Kingston-on-Thames.
Do. ...	Bhvatsky Lodge ...	1887*	Mrs. Besant ...	Mrs. Sharpe ...	*Sec.*, 28, Albemarle Street, W.
Do. ...	Chiswick Lodge ...	1891*	A. A. Harris ...	W. C. Worsdell ...	*Sec.*, 6, Cumberland Place, Kew.
Do. ..	Croydon Lodge ...	1898*	P. Tovey ...	Fred. Horne ...	*Sec.*, 27, Keen's Road, Croydon.
Do. ..	Hampstead Lodge ...	1897*	Mrs. Alan Leo ...	Alan Leo ..	*Sec.*, 9, Lyncroft Gardens, Finchley Road, N. W.
Do. ...	London Lodge ...	1878	A. P. Sinnett ...	C. W. Leadbeater ...	*Pres.*, 27, Leinster Gardens, W.
Do. ...	North London Lodge ...	1893*	A. M. Glass ...	R. King, junr. ...	*Sec.*, 69, Barnsbury Street, Liverpool Road, Islington.
Do. ..	Wandsworth Lodge ...	1898	Dr. M. Sharples ...	H. Warren ...	*Sec.*, 15, Eccles Road, Clapham Junction, S. W.
Do. ...	West London Lodge ...	1897*	Miss Ward ...	G. H. Whyte ...	*Sec.*, 7, Lanhill Road, Elgin Avenue, W.
Manchester ..	Manchester City Lodge ...	1892*	M. H. Larmuth ..	Mrs. Larmuth ...	*Sec.*, 24, Eccles Old Road, Pendleton, near Manchester.
Middlesbrough ...	Middlesbrough Lodge ...	1893*	Baker Hudson ...	W. H. Thomas ...	*Sec.*, 7, Ryedale Terrace, Middlesbrough.
Norwich ...	Norwich Lodge ...	1894	J. Fitch Thorn ...	Selby Green ...	*Sec.*, The Croft, Limetree Road, Norwich.
Edinburgh ...	Scottish Lodge ..	1884*	......	Dr. G. Dickson ...	*Sec.*, 9, India Street, Edinburgh.
Sheffield ...	Sheffield Lodge... ...	1896	Frank Dallaway ...	C. J. Barker ...	*Sec.*, 183, Intake Road, Sheffield

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European Section.—(*Continued*).

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			Belgium.		
Antwerp ...	Antwerp T. S. ...	1899	Armand Maclot ...	A Schenck ...	*Sec.*, 37, Champ Vleminckx, Antwerp.
Brussels ...	Brussels Lodge ...	1898	Wilhem H. M. Kohlen ...	A. Vanderstraeten ...	*Pres.*, 2, Rue de l'Industrie, Brussels.
Do. ...	Branche Centrale Belge ...	1898	Dr. Victor Lafosse ...	Miss Lilly Carter ...	*Sec.*, 21, Rue du Vallon, St. Josse-ten-Noode, Brussels.
			Germany.		
Berlin ..	Berlin Lodge ...	1894*	Dr. Hübbe-Schleiden ...	Graf von Brockdorff ...	*Sec.*, Alt-Moabit 97, Berlin, N. W.
Charlottenburg ...	Charlottenburg T. S. ...	1899	Julius Engel ...	Frl. Foersteamann ...	*Sec.*, Knesclieck Strasse, 18/19 Charlottenburg.
Hamburg ...	Hamburg Lodge ...	1898	Bernhard Hubo ...	J. Gus. Scharlan ...	*Pres.*, 12, Wartenau, Hamburg.
Hanover ...	Hanover Lodge ...	1898	Dr. Hübbe-Schleiden ...	Julius Lange ...	*Sec.*, 441., Grosse Barlinge, Hanover.
			Italy.		
Florence ...	Florence T. S. ...	1899*	J. C. Chatterji ...	Capt. A. von Pelka ...	*Sec.*, 11a, Viale Principe Eugenio, Florence.
Milan ...	Milan T. S. ...	1900*	Dr. L. Barbieri de Introini..	Miss E. Gatey ...	*Sec.*, Il Villino, Via, Cernaia 1, Milan.
Naples ...	Naples T. S. ...	1900*	Mrs. Cooper-Oakley ...	Giuseppe Rinonapoli ...	*Sec.*, Salita Stella 14, Naples.

Rome ...	Rome Lodge ...	1897*	Gualtiero Aureli ...	Decio Calvari ...	*Sec.*, Via Pietrocossa 3, Rome.
			Spain.		
Alicante ...	Alicante Lodge ..	1894	Manuel F. Maluenda ..	Carbonel Jover ...	*Sec.*, Calle Cid 10, Alicante.
Barcelona ...	Barcelona Lodge ...	1893	José Plana y Dorca ..	José Quérol ...	*Sec.*, 30 y 32, Calle de la Cendra, 3 °, 1A. Barcelona.
Madrid ...	Madrid Lodge ..	1893*	José Xifré ..	Manuel Treviño ...	*Sec.*, 3 and 5, San Juan, Madrid.
			Switzerland.		
Zurich ...	Zürich Lodge ...	1896	J. Sponheimer ...	Dr. A. Gysi ...	*Sec.*, Börsenstrasse 14, Zürich I.
			British.		
	Battersea Centre ..	...	......	P. Tovey ...	28, Trothy Road, Southwark Park Road, Bermondsey.
	Eastbourne Centre ...	...	......	Jas. H. MacDougall ...	68, Willingdon Road, Eastbourne.
	Exeter Centre* ...	...	......	Miss L. Wheaton ...	Longbridge Cottage, Newton Street, Cyres, near Exeter.
	Glasgow Centre* ...	...	......	James Wilson ...	151, Sandyfaulds Street, Glasgow.
	Herne Bay Centre ..	...	......	H. A. Vasse ...	25, William Street, Herne Bay.
	Hull Centre* ...	...	......	H. F. Nichol ...	97, Westbourne Avenue, Hull.
	Leigh-on-Sea Centre ...	...	......	A. Moutrie ...	Woronora, Leigh-on-Sea.

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	Margate Centre ...	...	......	Mrs. Holmes ...	39, High Street, Margate.
	Plymouth Centre ...	...	......	J. W. Cock ...	6, Havelock Terrace, Devonport.
	Stoke-on-Trent Centre* ..	...	......	Thomas Ousman ...	36, South Street, Mount Pleasant, Stoke-on-Trent.
	Tavistock Centre* ...	...	......	Rev. John Barron ...	5, Broadpark Terrace, Whitchurch, Tavistock.
	York Centre ...	...	......	E. J. Dunn ...	Kelfield Lodge, near York.
			Foreign.		
	Coruña Centre ...	...	......	Florencio Pol ...	Ordenes, Galicia.
	Genoa Centre ..	...	......	Stanley C. Bright ...	35, Via SS. Giacomo e Filippo, Genoa.
	Leipsig Centre ...	...	......	R. Bresch ..	31, Koernerstrasse, Leipsig.
	Liège Centre ...	...	......	M. Lepersonne ...	23, Rue Louvrex, Liège.
	Munich Centre ...	...	......	O. Huschke ...	Lerchenfeldstrasse 5, Munich.

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SCANDINAVIAN SECTION.

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Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.‡
			Sweden.		
Boden ...	Boden Lodge ..	1900	Mr. Edw. Johansson ...	Mr. J. Moberg ..	Boden.
Gotenburg ...	Gotenburg Lodge* ..	1893	Mr. Gust Sjöstedt ...	Mrs. Helen Sjöstedt ...	Victoriagat 15, Gotenburg.
Lulea ...	Bäfrast Lodge* ...	1897	Mr. S. T. Sven-Nilsson ...	Miss L. Edstrom ...	Lulea.
Lund ...	Lund's Lodge* ..	1893	Mr. H. Sjöström ...	Mr. A. J. Wetterström ...	Trädgardsgat 15, Lund.
Orebro ...	Orebro Lodge K. V.* ...	1893	Mr. P. E. Larsson ...	Mr. P. E. Larsson ...	Kungshalvesbragata 2, Stockholm.
	Original Swedish Lodge; Charter.	1889	......	......	......
Stockholm ...	Stockholm Lodge* ...	1893	Mr. A. Knös ...	......	Stockholm.
Do ...	Orion Lodge* ...	1893	Mr. J. F. Rossander ..	Mrs. Ada Rossander ...	Lill Jans Plan 4, Stockholm.
Solleftea ...	Solleftea Lodge* ...	1895	Miss Alma Kjellon ...	Mr. Axel Westberg ...	Solleftea.
Sundsvall ...	Sundsvall Lodge* ...	1898	Mr. Aug. Berglund ...	Miss Agnes Steineger ...	Sundsvall.
Upsala ...	Upsala Lodge ..	1895	Mr. G. B. Lindborg ..	Mr. Hjalmar Lindborg ...	Börjegat 15, Upsala.
			Norway.		
Christiania ...	The Norwegian T. S.* .. (Det Norske Teosofiske Samfund.)	1893	Mr. J. A. Sundgran ..	Mr. S. T. Leunback ...	Christiania.
			Denmark.		
Copenhagen ...	Copenhagen Lodge* ...	1893	Mr. H. Thaning ..	Mr. V. Dresler ...	Copenhagen.
Do ...	Eirene ...	1899	E. F. Andersen ...	......	......

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NETHERLANDS SECTION.

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Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Amsterdam	Amsterdam Lodge	1891	W. B. Fricke	H. Wierts van Coehoorn	Amsteldijk, 76.
Do.	Våhana Lodge	1891	K. P. C. de Bazel	Mej. J. Wijnstock	2e. Oosterparkstraat, 191.
Haarlem	Haarlem Lodge	1891	J. J. Hallo, Jr.	S. van West	Zijlweg, 53.
Helder	Helder Lodge	1891	T. van Zuylen	H. J. van Grunningen	Keizerstraat, 60.
Rotterdam	Rotterdam Lodge	1897	J. A. J. van Dijk	J. A. Terweil	Oranjeboomstraat, 142.
The Hague	Hague Lodge	1897	H. N. van Amerom	Mrs. C. J. v. d. Beek-de-Prez.	Wilhelminastraat, 40.
Vlaardingen	Vlaardingen Lodge	1897	D. de Lange, Dz.	A. J. van der Laan	Arnold Hoogvlietstraat.

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AUSTRALASIAN SECTION.

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Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Sydney ...	Sydney T. S. ...	1891	Mr. G. Peell ...	Mrs. M. Wood ...	42, Margaret St., Sydney.
Do ...	Egyptian T. S. ...	1898	...	...	...
Do ..	Newtown T. S. ...	1900	Mrs. Bolton ...	Mr. J. Brown ...	40, Wells St., Newtown.
Melbourne ...	Melbourne T. S. ...	1890	Mr. H. W. Hunt ...	Mr. S. Studd ...	178, Collins St.
Do South Yarra ...	Ibis T. S. ...	1894	Mr. A. E. Fuller ...	Mr. H. Tilburn ...	8, Garden St.
Adelaide ...	Adelaide T. S. ...	1891	Mr. N. A. Knox ...	Miss K. Castle ...	T. S. Victoria Square, East.
Brisbane ...	Queensland T. S. ...	1891	Mr. R. Wishart ...	Mr. W. G. John ...	T. S. Room, Elizabeth St.
Bundaberg ...	Bundaberg T. S. ...	1894	...	...	...
Rockhampton ...	Capricornian T. S. ...	1893	Mr. W. Irwin ...	...	...
Maryborough ...	Maryborough T. S. ...	1896	Mr. F. J. Charlton ...	...	...
Cairns ...	Cairns T. S. ...	1896	...	...	...
Hobart ...	Hobart T. S. ...	1890	Mr. L. Susman ...	Miss Russell ...	Beltana, Hobart.
Perth ...	Perth T. S. ...	1897	Mr. E. Gregory ...	Mr. H. H. Buckie ...	326, Adelaide Terrace.
Toowoomba ...	Toowoomba T. S. ...	1881	Mr. W. J. R. Pascoe ...	J. Sunderland ...	Neil and Herries St.
Fremantle ...	Fremantle T. S ...	1900	Mrs. Patterson ...	Miss Brown ...	64, Hampton St.

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NEW ZEALAND SECTION.

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Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Auckland ...	Auckland T. S. ...	1891	Mr. S. Stuart ...	Mr. W. Will ...	West St., Newton, Auckland.
Do. ...	Waitemata T. S. ...	1896	Mrs. Draffin ...	......	......
Wellington ...	Wellington T. S. ...	{ 1884 / 1894 }	Mrs. Richmond ...	Mrs. Girdlestone ...	94, Constable St., Wellington.
Dunedin ...	Dunedin T. S. ...	1893	Mr. G. Richardson ...	Mr. A. W. Maurais ...	Revensbourne, Dunedin.
Christchurch ...	Christchurch T. S. ...	1894	Mr. J. Bigg-Wither ...	Mr. J. Rhodes ...	187, High St., Christchurch.
Woodville ...	Woodville T. S. ...	1895	Mr. Thos. Gilbert ...	Mrs. Gilbert ...	Napier Road, Woodville.
Pahiatua ...	Pahiatua T. S. ...	1895	Mrs. Moore ...	Miss Moore ...	"Roseleigh," Pahiatua.
Wanganui ...	Wanganui T. S. ...	1896	...	......	c/o Mrs. Mellor, Aramoho Wanganui.
	Nelson Centre ...		...	......	c/o Mrs. Saxon, St. John St., Nelson.

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FRENCH SECTION

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Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Paris ...	Union ...	1899	M. P. Tourniel ...	M. G. Renard ...	*Pres.*, 3 rue Herschel.
Do. ...	Le Disciple ...	1899	M. P. Gillard ...	Mme. Savalle ...	47, rue des Petits Champs
Do. ...	Le Sentier ...	1899	General Villier Thomassin...	Mlle. Thomassin ...	90, Boulevard Flandrin.
Do. ...	Le Lotus ...	1899	M. le commandant D. A. Courmes.	M. H. Courmes ...	21, rue Tronchet.
Do. ...	L'Essor ...	1900	Mlle. A. Blech ...	M. G. de Fontenay ...	10, rue Clément Marot.
Toulon ...	Le Lotus Bleu ...	1895	M. V. Guglielmi ...	Mme. Ruyer ...	46, rue Victor-Clapier.
Nice ...	Nice Lodge ...	1897	Mme. J. Terrell ...	Mlle. Erhard ...	Villa Burnett, Avenue Desambrois.
Grenoble ...	Grenoble Lodge ...	1899	M. A. Perrier ...	......	*Pres.*, 20, rue de la Féderation.
Lyons ...	Lyons do ...	1899	Mme. Millet ...	Mlle. Perrin ...	Hotel de Milan.
Marseilles ...	Marseilles do ..	1899	Mme. A. Fabre ...	M. Pradalet ...	11, rue Fortuné.
Do. ...	Ana-Bai ...	1900	M. le commandant Remise...	Mme. Ed. Maurel ...	11, rue St. Dominique.

Dr. Th. Pascal, General **Secretary's** private address: 116, rue St. Dominique; Headquarters address, 52, Avenue Bosquet, Paris.

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CEYLON.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Colombo ...	Colombo T. S. ...	1880	Mr. R. A. Mirando ...	Henry Dias ...	Buddhist Hd.-Qrs.
Galle ...	Galle T. S. ...	1880	Mr. T. D. S. Amarasurya.	Mr. O. A. Jayasekere ...	Mahinda College, Galle.
Kandy ...	Dharmaraja Lodge ...	1899	...	...	...

The Branches Chartered at the following places are *dormant*; Anuradhapura, 1889; Badulla, 1887; Batticaloa (2) 1889, 1891; Bentota, 1880; Dikwella, 1889; Jaffna, 1890; Kandy, 1880; Kataluma, 1889; Kurunegala, 1889; Matale, 1889; Matara, 1880; Mawanella, 1889; Panadura, 1880; Ratnapura, 1887; Singapore, 1880; Trincomalee (2) 1889; Weligama, 1889.

Telegrams to Buddhist Committee, "Sandaresa, Colombo."

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Buenos Aires. ...	Luz T. S. ...	1893	Senor Alejandro Sorondo.	...	Buenos Aires.
Do ...	Ananda T. S. ...	1899	Mr. C. H. Baly ...	Senor Carlos M. Collet...	Casilla de Correo 1277.
Bosario de Santa Fe.	Bosario T. S. ...	1899	Norberto Miranda ..	...	Bosario de Santa Fe.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Japan ...	Yamato T. S. ...	1889	...	Mr. M. Matsuyama ...	Nishi Hongwanji, Kioto, Japan.
Manilla ...	Manilla T. S. ...	1812	...	Mr. B. C. Bridger ...	Escotta 14, Manilla.
So. Africa ...	So. African T. S. * ...	1899	Mr. Lewis W. Ritch ...	Mr. Herbert Kitchin ...	Johannesburg, So. Africa.

* Suspended on account of the war

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THE THEOSOPHIST.

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EXECUTIVE NOTICES.

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,
PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
ADYAR, *September 27th*, 1900.

The undersigned announces with sincere regret the withdrawal of Hon. Otway Cuffe from the General Secretaryship of the European Section, which he has been filling so acceptably; the Executive Council of the Section has chosen as his successor Dr. Arthur A. Wells, a gentleman in every way qualified for the office. Mr. Cuffe informs me that his sole reason for this step is the imperative necessity for his devoting his personal attention to his estate in Ireland and of giving up residence in London. He wishes it understood that his sympathy for our work is not in the least abated and that his enforced retirement from office causes him great concern. His high character and invariable courtesy and sympathetic kindness have endeared him to all his colleagues, whose best wishes will follow him wherever he goes. I cordially approve of the choice of Dr. Wells and shall expect a continuance of the friendly personal relations which have always existed between us.

H. S. OLCOTT, P. T. S.

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,
PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
ADYAR, *September 27th*, 1900.

The undersigned acknowledges the receipt of the sum of 36,000 Francs from a Western member who positively refuses permission to divulge his name; the said sum to be invested in Government 3 per cent. pro. notes and to constitute a permanent trust to be known as the "Founders' Fund." The annual increment is to be divided between the Adyar Library and the Panchama Education Fund in the proportion of two-thirds and one-third, respectively. Of the abode sum Francs 35,000 were converted into sterling for £1,392-0-3 and, through the Bank of Madras, the following securities were bought with it: "The total cost of Government Paper purchased on your joint account is Rs. 20,655-13-7 and I have accordingly filled up your cheque on the London and Westminster Bank for £1,387-16-4, being sterling equivalent of this amount at $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{8}$. (Letter of Sec. and Treas., Bk. of M., 26-ix-00)." This leaves a trifling balance in my London account. The purchase money above reported covers accrued interest.

A balance of 1,000 Francs is also left on deposit in the Credit Lyonnais of Paris, for the present. The undersigned gratefully acknowledges this donation and hopes that it may be the precursor of other generous gifts to those two most worthy objects.

H. S OLCOTT, P. T. S.

ECHOES OF THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR.

Among the cities visited by Colonel Olcott after the adjournment of the London Convention was Exeter, from which a correspondent writes:

"The sleepy little Cathedral city of Exeter is one of the most conservative of conservative places. It delights in calling itself the "ever faithful city," from its motto, "Semper Fidelis," but as this faithfulness consists in keeping as much behind the times as possible, one can easily realize that the few Theosophists working there, have a hard fight with misconceptions and prejudices.

On the day after his arrival two meetings were held at the Lodge room. A slight thunder storm thinned the attendance in the afternoon, but in the evening the room was full to overflowing.

The President-Founder gave a short but interesting account of the founding and growth of the Theosophical Society, and afterwards answered most ably, questions of a varied character.

At both meetings great interest was evinced, many lingered to exchange a few parting words, so that it was quite late before good-night was really said.

Minds work slowly in the West of England, but without doubt Theosophy is making its way even in the "ever faithful city," and every member of the Exeter Centre will look back to the welcome help afforded by the President-Founder's first visit, and feel there is now one more to whom they owe a debt of gratitude that it will be difficult to pay.

NOTICE.

General Secretaries will please remember to post their Annual Reports to Headquarters *not later* than the middle of November.

ADYAR LIBRARY.

The following gifts to the library since the last report, are gratefully acknowledged: From Mrs. Mona Caird, three volumes of her works; Mrs. H. Roughton Hogg, two volumes of Fiona Macleod's works; Col. A. De Rochas, director of the Polytechnic School, Paris, his superb work, "Les Sentiments La Musique et la Geste;" Baron G. de Fontenay, "A propos d'Eusapia Paladino;" Rev. J. Barron, "The Story of Religion in England:" from the publisher, "Christianisme et Spiritisme," by Léon Denis; Herr M. Reepmaker, five volumes of his works; Charles Godfrey Leland, "Aradia, or the Gospel of the Witches," his latest work; Matthews Fidler, Esq., "Shadow Land," by Mrs. E. d'Espérance; Herr Schmidt, Zahlmeister of the s.s. "Sachsen," fifteen volumes; 446 old palmleaf manuscripts collected in Southern Indian villages by Mr. R. A. Sastry, Librarian.

The usual Financial Report is deferred until next issue.

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MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following receipts from 27th August to 20th October 1900 are acknowledged with thanks:—

HEADQUARTERS FUND.	RS.	A.	P.
Miss Emma Nadler, Fees and Dues, £1-5=	18	12	0
Mr. Anantarai Nathji Mehta, Bhannagar, Annual Donation..	84	0	0
Mr. O. Firth, Yorkshire, Fee and Donation	22	8	0
Dr. C. W. Sanders, General Secretary, New Zealand Section, T. S., 25 °/₀ Dues, £4-15-8=	71	12	0
A Friend, Donation	3	0	0
Mr. C. Sambiah Garu, Mylapore, Subscription	3	0	0
Miss Ida R. Patch, through Mr. A. Fullerton, New York...	30	7	0
LIBRARY FUND.			
Mr. C. Sambiah Garu, Mylapore, Subscription	3	0	0
Mr. A. Venkatakanniah, Namakal, Donation	1	4	0
An F. T. S. of Burmah, Subscription for August ...	50	0	0
Mr. A. Schwarz, Colombo, Donation	100	0	0
An F. T. S. of Burmah, Subscription for September ...	50	0	0
Justice Sir S. Subramania Iyer, Donation	100	0	0

T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,
Treasurer, T. S.

ADYAR, MADRAS, *20th October* 1900.

DEATH OF MR. GADGIL.

One of the oldest, most intellectual, tried and trusty men whom I have met in the Society, Rao Bahadur Janardhan Sakharam Gadgil, F. T. S., late Justice of the High Court of Baroda, has just died at that place. Readers of "Old Diary Leaves" will recollect his intimate friendship for H. P. B., and the wonderful psychical experiments which he made for his instruction and that of his friends, both at Bombay and Baroda. It would have been a consolation to me if he could have kept his health and strength some years longer to work with me for India. However, we shall meet again, and work again together for the helping of mankind. So, fare thee well, old friend.

H. S. O.

GIFTS TO THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

Mrs. E. Drummond, F. T. S., the life-centre of our admirable working group at Edinborough, has made the Library a most acceptable and valuable gift. It is a 6-in. magnifying glass, mounted in a folding support and arranged for the reading of old palmleaf MSS. On testing it the Library pandits were able at once to decipher an old MS. so defaced that they had laid it aside as illegible. As they are engaged in preparing a catalogue of our now

splendid collection, Mrs. Drummond's glass will be as serviceable as any that could have been given.

Mr. R. A. Sastry succeeded, last month, in collecting at an interior village of Southern India, 270 rare *cadjans*. Most of them belong to Saiva Âgamas. In this collection there is a MS. on the "Spanda Sûtras" of Vasugupta, with the commentaries of Kshemarâja, Krishna Dâsa, and Kâlidâsa. Our collection has already outgrown our shelf-room, and twenty-five intermediate shelves have had to be inserted. If it goes on at this rate the Adyar Library will need enlargement. This puts the crown of success upon the tentative experiment of 1886, and shows that the President-Founder will leave behind him a literary monument of which any man might be proud.

THE NEW SERIES OF "OLD DIARY LEAVES."

The latest news from London is to the effect that the book was all printed, the engravings had come up extremely well, and that the work would be published within the next ten days. Indian buyers can now send in their orders. See advertisement on leaflet herewith sent.

NEW BRANCHES.

The Leeds Lodge has been re-formed and a new charter issued, dated September 19th, 1900, to A. R. Orage, W. H. Bean, Mrs. Orage, Miss M. A. Nelson, Mrs. Lees, Miss A. K. Kennedy, and H. W. Hunter.

A Charter has also been granted, dated September 21st, 1900, to Edwin Hill, F. B. Bond, E. R. Blackett, M. S. Johnson, Mrs. Hill, Miss J. M. Chivers, Miss E. Beane and Mrs. Blackett to form a Branch of the Society at Bath.

Otway Cuffe,
General Secretary, European Section.

INDIA.

The following branches have been formed:

Tirukoilur	— President,	Mr. R. Sundarasa Mudaliar.
	Secretary,	„ P. S. Venkatarama Iyer.
Vriddhachalam	— President,	„ T. Shanmugam Pillai.
	Secretary,	„ R. Sanjeevi Row.
Nandalur	— President,	„ P. Gopalakrishnaiah.
	Secretary,	„ C. Seshachala Iyer.
Srinagar	— President,	„ Pandit Vaskak.
	Secretary,	„ Pandit Ananda Kaul.

Revivals.

Adoni	— President,	Mr. V. Rama Chetty.
	Secretary,	„ R. Sambasiva Row.
Erode	— President,	„ T. T. Rangachariar.
	Secretary,	„ C. S. Subramania Iyer.

Dhana Krishna Bisvas,
Assistant Secretary, Indian Section.

CIRCULAR TO THE SOUTH INDIAN BRANCHES.

Adyar, *October* 1900.

For the gratification of South Indian members who have been accustomed to take their holiday at Adyar, the President-Founder has, in consultation with Mrs. Besant, made the following arrangement:

It is hoped that Miss Lilian Edger, who is expected shortly in India, will consent to give the usual course of four lectures on the usual days, *viz.*, December 27, 28, 29 and 30, and to hold E. S. T. meetings for the benefit of members of that school. As neither the Society nor the Section can afford to incur expenses over and above those at Benares, it is proposed that an

approved Brahmin hotel-keeper shall be present at Adyar, and supply meals to all applicants at the usual price. Any expenses incurred for the cadjan eating pandals, extra lights, etc., etc.—which need only be trifling in the aggregate—can be covered by a small voluntary subscription got up at the close of the meeting.

As the Recording Secretary, and Treasurer T. S. will have to accompany the President-Founder to Benares, he will ask Messrs. K. Narayanasami Iyer. J. Srinivasa Row, of Gooty, and V. C. Seshacharri, to act as a Managing Committee, while the President's Secretary will be on hand to act for him in any business matters that would require his personal attention.

Orders for cadjan huts and any other special arrangements should be sent in to M.R.Ry. T. V. Charlu before the 1st of December. Of course the Convention Hall and lower rooms will be available for sleeping purposes as usual.

This circular, which is preliminary to the one to be issued as soon as Miss Edger's decision is definitively known, is intended to elicit as general a response as possible, so that the President-Founder may know what orders to give in advance of the meeting.

Postscript: Since the above was written, Miss Edger has told us to expect her at Adyar on December 10th or 11th, and since Mrs. Besant has written to her to hold the Adyar meeting, there seems little doubt as to her giving the lectures. Take this for granted unless you hear to the contrary.

By order of the President-Founder,

N. E. Weeks,
Private Secretary.

TRANSFER OF THE *BODHINI.*

The successful foundation of the Hindu Central College having formed a natural centre for propaganda of the Hindu Religion, it is evident that the very important agency created in the establishment of the *Arya Bala Bodhini*, should be henceforth transferred to the Board of Trustees of the College, and no longer attached to the non-sectarian office of the *Theosophist* and the control of the undersigned. It is essentially a Hindu publication, devoted solely to the moral and spiritual education of Hindu boys and, inasmuch as the President of the T. S. is constitutionally obliged to foster no one religion more than the others, and as the *Theosophist* is edited on the same principle, it seems clear to the undersigned that it is altogether better to hand over this sectarian magazine to the managers of the sectarian College, since his services and personal pecuniary guarantee for its upkeep are no longer indispensable.

The undersigned, therefore, made, some months ago, to Mrs. Besant, the offer of transfer, and she has recently accepted it. From and after the 31st of December proximo, the *Bodhini* will be edited, printed and published at the headquarters of the Indian Section T. S., at Benares, under the responsible supervision of Mrs. Besant, and all literary communications, reports of Bala Samajes, and cash remittances must thereafter be sent, as the case may be, to the Editor or Manager of the *A. B. Bodhini*, Benares City, N. W. P.

Nearly 200 subscriptions run over into the year 1901, and the proportionate share of the subscription money will be paid over to Mrs. Besant by the present Manager of the journal; as will also the proportionate share of new subscriptions sent in to Adyar up to the close of the present year. Subscribers for 1901 will pay their money to Benares, on receipt of the January Number, which will come to them, as heretofore, by V. P. P.

The undersigned congratulates the subscribers of the journal that, under Mrs. Besant's splendid direction, it must inevitably be greatly improved, and he expects that the circulation will increase rapidly and widely. He has no doubt but that every really sincere Hindu boy who now reads the *Bodhini* will take a pride and pleasure in doing his best to get it taken by his friends. For it is a very great honour and piece of good Karma to be able to work with Annie Besant for the glorious object of restoring the spiritual grandeur of the Motherland of the Rishis and Munis. There is no reason whatever why the circulation of this excellent monthly periodical should not rise to 100,000 copies; none whatever. ***This is a conviction formed after much personal experience among Indian boys.***

In taking leave of the magazine which he rescued from failure and has helped to build up into success, the undersigned expresses to his dear young lads of India his unchanged and ever-enduring love for them and interest in their future welfare. He will work as much for them as ever, and meet and address them while on his tours. He wishes them, at the same time, to feel ever grateful to the devoted Editor, M.R.Ry. S. V. Rangaswamy Iyengar, B.A.; the unpaid, faithful Business Manager, M.R.Ry. T. Vijiaraghava Charlu; the dear, generous Countess C. Wachtmeister, who has often helped us with money to pay our way when subscribers were few, and to M.R.Ry. T. Srinivasa Iyengar, the clerk of the *Bodhini* Office, who has kept the registers and sent subscribers all their papers.

And now, the last word to speak is: May the blessing of the Masters rest always upon the *Bodhini*, its Directors and subscribers.

H. S. Olcott,

General Adviser to the Arya Bala Samaj.

Mrs. BESANT'S ADVICE.

We copy from the *Theosophic Gleaner*, the following extracts from a brief report of Mrs. Besant's remarks in Bombay, on her return from Europe, in September last:

"I come to India always with a glad heart; I return as an exile. Especially here in Bombay I am glad to see the Theosophical cause prospering, for this is a cosmopolitan city, and if here we make it possible for Hindus, Parsis, Buddhists, Christians and others to study Religion and work together in harmony and in peace, then that harmony and that peace will spread throughout India, and then other nations will learn to follow that example. And if once peace can be preserved among various peoples in religious matters, then they will learn to preserve it in political and social matters as well. For you know religious differences often cause trouble in other departments of life also; and we have it from a high authority that it is so, for the other day Lord Salisbury, the Prime Minister of the Empire to which we all belong, speaking to the Society for Propagating Christian Knowledge, warned the Missionaries in China who, instead of teaching their own religion, attack that of others and bring about the enmity, troubles, and bloodshed such as the world is now witnessing in the Chinese Empire. So if India teaches to preserve harmony, other nations will follow, for peace here means peace in the world, and as a general rule political and social friendship follows religions. Our Society can do much in this matter, for we are teaching men to be as brothers to each other in religious things, and make it a condition to admission into our society. I know this is a matter of great difficulty but that is exactly why it is a work also of great glory. India is passing through hard times of late I know, and men are dying, and also their friends, the cattle, and these hard times at the end of the 19th century have already been prophesied by our revered teacher, H. P. Blavatsky. But this century will end and the next century will bring prosperity to India if we but work for the revival of spirituality among various sections of the people. For three or four years more you may still have some troubles, but then after those few years of trial are over, India will see brighter days and there will reign peace and prosperity as has never been witnessed during the last fifty years, for deeper religious life will help the nation to rise upward, and true religious revival will give inner power of work and will make it possible for material prosperity to return. Already there are good signs and young men are showing greater devotion and more inclination to religious life, and old men have commenced to see the errors of their youth and want their sons and grandsons to be religious and to develop spirituality."

"While the West will be witnessing horrible scenes of war, in the East there will appear the dawn of peace consequent upon religious life. But prosperity of a nation depends on the character of its people. No nation can prosper unless its people are honest, upright, moral and religious. Each can help the nation, if each man and woman will ungrudgingly give that help. Each must work as if the country's cause depends on him alone; as if the cause will fail if he does not work; as if the whole burden lies upon his shoulders; each must work and say to himself that if he does not work, the whole world would fail. That is the spirit, that the energy, that the heart with which we have to work and go about our daily business."

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EXECUTIVE NOTICES.

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,
PRESIDENT'S OFFICE, ADYAR,
17th November, 1900.

The following correspondence is published for the information of the concerned :

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.
(*International Theosophical Brotherhood.*)
IN GERMANY.

HEAD-QUARTERS, LEIPZIG,
14th June, 1900.

DEAR COLONEL OLCOTT,

The undersigned request you to read their propositions, and, if these are not agreeable, that you will make propositions in return, by which an agreement would be possible between the Theosophical Societies in Germany, (perhaps also of the Theosophical Societies in America, England, Sweden, Holland, &c.,) and the Theosophical Society, the President of which you are.

Respectfully,
ARTHUR WEBER,
EDWIN BÖHME,
HERMANN RUDOLPH.

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.
(*International Theosophical Brotherhood.*)
IN GERMANY.

HEAD-QUARTERS, LEIPZIG,
14th June, 1900.

To

COLONEL H. S. OLCOTT,
President of the Theosophical Society,
(*Head-quarters, Adyar*).

The Theosophical Society in Germany and its union with the Theosophical Society. (Head-quarters, Adyar).

ARTICLE I.

Principles and Foundation.

1. The T.S.G. has its foundation, as seen by its constitution, according to the Theosophical Society founded by H. P. Blavatsky, H. S. Olcott, W. Q. Judge and others and keeps to the original constitution which grants thorough freedom of action and thought to everybody. It considers as its principal aim the realisation of Universal Brotherhood on a spiritual (theosophical) basis, *viz.*, founded upon knowledge of the true nature of man or the divine essence, which is the real nucleus of unity lying at the bottom of every being.

2. It declares itself to be in sympathy with all men and societies, acting unselfishly on the same unsectarian foundation for the benefit of mankind by enlightenment and elevation of humanity, in complete tolerance towards people of different opinion, be they members of a T. S. or not.

3. It represents no person nor special party, nor is it in opposition to any person or party. Nor does it make any propaganda for an outward organization, school or society, not striving for outward success. Therefore no members are acquired by persuasion or promises of any kind. It works exclusively for the expansion of the theosophical ideas of unity, love and brotherhood, without adhesion to any authority or dogma. It leaves everyone to join the T. S. according to his own decision and consideration, and to act according to his conviction. But no member has the right to propagate his doctrines in the name of the society as such. Therefore the Society is not responsible for any opinions expressed in lectures, books or reviews.

The unity of the T. S. is spiritual, and not to be identified with the exterior unity of organization. The latter must be aimed at but is not absolutely necessary for the realization of the purpose of the T. S.

4. The T. S. in Germany is a free organization, not a branch dependent on a society in Germany or abroad. It conducts its business in an independent way, as it suits every Theosophical Society, who decide about the members to be accepted.

ARTICLE 2.

Particular Decisions.

5. The T. S. in Germany Federates with the T. S. (Head-quarters, Adyar) presided over by H. S. Olcott, to co-operate together for the expansion of the ideas of Universal Brotherhood under the following conditions :—

(1) It sends an annual voluntary contribution for the expenses of the administration of that body directly to Colonel Olcott, Head-quarters, Adyar. This donation and the time of its expedition are decided by the Annual General Convention of the T. S. in Germany.

(2) The Secretary of the T. S. in Germany sends an extract of the annual report to the President of the T. S. (Head-quarters, Adyar) in order to get it published in the annual report of the T. S. (Head-quarters, Adyar).

(3) Therefore the T. S. in Germany unites to general work with the T. S. (Head-quarters, Adyar), without being a Branch of a European Section.

(4) This union with the T. S. (Head-quarters, Adyar) does not exclude the right of federation with other societies, if this proves to be advantageous for the progress of the Theosophical movement.

(5) Each of the societies is free to annihilate this agreement at any time.

The T. S. in Germany unites with the T. S. (Head-quarters, Adyar) on the foundation exposed in paras. 1—5 in order to show that it considers harmony and universal brotherhood without any distinction, without distinction too of organization, to which theosophic workers belong, as the principal aim of the T. S. and that it is in no opposition to any person or society, and is not working in any particular lines.

There is no longer a parent society, it is abolished and replaced by an aggregate body of societies all *autonomous.*

To whatever organization we belong, let us be One in spirit and work together in unwavering harmony for the benefit of suffering mankind.

For the Executive Committee of the T.S. in Germany.

ARTHUR WEBER,
EDWIN BÖHME,
HERMANN RUDOLPH.

To be approved by the General Convention.

LEIPZIG, 15*th June*, 1900.

MESSRS. WEBER, BÖHME, & RUDOLPH, COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,

Your important communication of yesterday shall have my careful and impartial consideration, and shall be answered after I have consulted with the members of the General Council of the Theosophical Society. As they live in distant countries it will naturally be some months before I can receive their reply to my circular letter.

Yours respectfully,
H. S. OLCOTT, P. T. S.

From the President-Founder of the Theosophical Society to the Committee of Leipzig.

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,
PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
17th November 1900.

GENTLEMEN,

According to promise I have submitted your letters of June the 15th to the members of the General Council of the Society and am now authorised to answer as follows :—

The chief issues involved are—

1. The present status of the Theosophical Society and that of the body to which you belong.

2. The terms on which a connection may be effected between the T.S. and your body.

3. A cognate issue is that of the present status in the Theosophical Society of those among you who were registered fellows of the T. S. and holders of its Diploma at the time of the Judge Secession, and now claim membership; which, although not mentioned in your official letter, was discussed between us at Leipzig in June last. Indeed, it was claimed by yourselves to have an important bearing upon the question of your asserted right to the use of our Seal and corporate name. It must therefore be settled here.

As regards the first issue, we affirm the unbroken continuity of existence of the Theosophical Society from the date of its foundation—November the 17th, 1875—to the present time; with the sole right to the Title, Seal, and authority to issue in its name Charters for Sections and Branches and Diplomas of Fellows. Furthermore we affirm that your Society, as well as all others which, since the Secession of April the 28th, 1895, have been organized under this Title, made use of its Seal, and issued its form of Charters and Diplomas, are not constituent parts of the Society, nor empowered to use its Title, Seal, and other symbols of its identity, nor to issue documents of the kind abovementioned, or any other involving the name "Theosophical Society." I would also call attention to the fact that our Society is not the Theosophical Society " of " or " at " Adyar: it has no geographical limitations, but spreads over the whole world. Its American and European Sections have, it is true, for many years used the designations "in America" and "in Europe" in legal documents and official annual Reports, but never with any pretense of having any status apart from or independent of the parent Society, from which they derive their chartered existence, and of which whole they are but parts or sections.

Yours and the several bodies above alluded to, being extraneous to our organization and not subject to our Rules, must be defined as outside societies, with whom friendly compacts may be made (as in the cases of the "Society of Benares Pandits," the "Sanskrita Sabha," etc., with which we have formed alliances in the past), provided that mutually satisfactory terms can be agreed upon.

With respect to the second point, it is perfectly possible, as above stated, for alliances to be made between the Theosophical and other Societies on terms mutually satisfactory. In the case of bodies like yours the only serious obstacle that presents itself is that you are improperly working under our Title, thereby producing confusion, and using our corporate Seal, which was designed for our special use, and for indicating the character and declared objects of our Society, and which has been published by us in all parts of the world. Our sacrifices and industry have made it universally known and respected, and it has become so endeared to us that we should have to exact as the first condition of any alliance with another Society the abandonment of this emblem, of our corporate Title, and of the motto chosen by us many years ago as expressive of the Society's character.

If any junior Society is really and sincerely anxious to enter into alliance with an older society or societies, and thus share in the good karma of their philanthropic work, it seems most reasonable to expect that they would cheerfully abandon the names and symbols of the older body or bodies when it was notified to them that their use was unauthorised, productive of confu-

sion in the public mind, and, hence, improper. It would be easy, for a younger society especially, to adopt some Title which would at once show its independent character and relinquish to its proper owners the one injudiciously appropriated.

As regards the question of your body making a voluntary cash donation to the Theosophical Society, I cannot see that we can claim or accept one from you any more than we could from any other outside body, since you repudiate the authority of our President, our Rules and our Council, and are therefore under no obligation to contribute to the Society's expenses. It is true that what should be sought is the union in sympathetic collaboration of all persons in the world who desire to work for the dissipation of ignorance and the spread of spiritual knowledge. At the same time it is a fact not to be disputed or gainsayed, that the world's work can only be carried on through organizations conducted on the lines of unity of action and prudent management; the Truth is the soul, the organized Society the body in which only it can dwell and manifest itself.

As to the cognate (third) question, I affirm that the seceding holders of our Diplomas at the time of the Secession of April 28th, 1895, were expelled and the Charters of the seceding branches to which they then belonged officially cancelled in the President-Founder's Executive Notice, dated at Zummarraga, Spain, June 5th, 1895; which was unanimously ratified in the meeting of the General Council, held at London, June 27th, in the same year. Therefore, from the date of the Secession all such Diploma-holders lost their membership, and can only regain it as outsiders who are personally acceptable, in sympathy with our objects, and willing to assume the same obligations as those taken upon ourselves by the Founders and other registered Fellows of the Society. No privileged class, such as you verbally suggested to me, will be formed, no exceptions made to the common rule to which we are all subject. While we wish to utter no reproaches to our ex-members, nor put upon them any indignity or humiliation, we must insist upon their coming in again, if at all, on the basis of the provisions of the Constitution and by-laws, without mental reservation and with the honest purpose of being true to their pledges as members. In the cases of such as paid their Entrance-Fees on first joining, the second payment may be waived, and their annual dues may be chargeable from the date of their re-entrance; but all must sign fresh Application forms, get two fellows in good standing to sign as their sponsors, and be admitted in the usual way, into the Branch to which they wish to unite themselves. Provided, that the General Secretary of the Section shall certify his approval of the re-admission. Should he veto it, the applicant may appeal to the President-Founder or his successor, whose decision would be final.

According to the terms of the Presidential Executive Notice in question, which by ratification of the General Council became law, and has never been cancelled, the loss of membership applies to every person who may at any time subsequent to April 28th, 1895, have acquiesced in the principle of Secession, whether or not he or she has taken up membership in one of the outside societies above mentioned.

In conclusion, I beg you to be assured that in all that has been said above, our decision rests upon our deep conviction of the necessity for protecting and strengthening the visible agency which we have been building up during the past twenty-five years, and is not influenced in any way whatsoever by personal feeling. The world is large enough to support many bodies like ours, and our cordial good wishes go to all men who are imbued with an unselfish love of the race and the wish to better its spiritual condition.

I am, Gentlemen,

Respectfully yours,

H. S. Olcott,

President-Founder of the Theosophical Society.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following receipts from 21st October to 20th November 1900 are acknowledged with thanks :—

HEAD-QUARTERS FUND.	RS.	A.	P.
Babu Upendra Nath Basu, General Secretary, Indian Section, T. S., 25°/₀ dues for the quarter ending 30th September 1900.	578	10	0
In advance for the next quarter	1	6	0
LIBRARY FUND.			
Rt. Hon. the Earl of Mexborough, London, donation, £5-5-0...	78	12	0
An F. T. S. of Burmah, subscription for October 1900 ...	50	0	0
Mr. Geo. Tubbs, donation	73	14	7

T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,
Treasurer, T.S.

ADYAR, MADRAS, *20th November* 1900.

CENTRAL HINDU COLLEGE ANNIVERSARY.

A correspondent of the *Madras Mail*, writing from Benares, gives the following account of the recent anniversary of the Central Hindu College, which was held at the College buildings in Benares :

BENARES, *26th Oct.*—A very gay appearance was presented by the Central Hindu College, Benares, on the occasion of its second anniversary held on the 24th instant. The College motto, "Knowledge shines by piety," was the first greeting to the in-coming visitor, traced in purple and gold, over the arch of greenery that gave entrance to the Boarding House quadrangle. As he passed on towards the College itself, flags of the same colours, purple and gold, met his eye at every point of vantage, lighting up the dark green foliage which hid each slender pillar and carved archway. For these are the College colours, and they were worn by boys and staff, by Board and Managing Committee, and some sympathisers had also donned them to show that they too considered themselves as attached to the College. It was a very large and representative gathering which crowded the College hall.

The President and Vice-President of the Board of Trustees took their seats on the platform at 3 P.M., and the proceedings were opened by a Sanskrit recitation by one of the students, followed by a second recited by seven students together. The President, Mrs. Annie Besant, then briefly sketched the day's proceedings and mentioned that letters of regret for inability to be present had been received from the Commissioner of Benares, from two Officers of the Black Watch, ill with fever, and from the President of the Theosophical Society, who wrote :—

"I wish I could be in Benares in person to speak words of encouragement and to impart some of the feeling of confidence I have as to the future of the highly important enterprise which you have started and are pushing forward with so much enthusiastic zeal. I believe that the Central Hindu College will have a career of great usefulness and be the most valuable of all our agencies for helping on the redemption of India and the spiritual uplifting of our dear Indian peoples. May a blessing rest upon you and all who participate in this sublime work."

The Annual Report was then read by the Secretary, Babu Bhagavan Das.

It showed much progress in the educational work under the care of three English workers, Dr. Richardson, the Principal, Mr. Banbery, the Headmaster, and Mr. Scott, Professor of English, with their twelve Indian colleagues: Babu Bireshwar Banerji, M.A., Pandit Hari Krishna Pararjpe, B.A., Babu Krishna Chandra De, M.A., Pandit Romesh Dutt Pande, B.A., S.C.T., Babu Hari Das Mukherji, B.A., Babu Syan Sundar Das, B.A., Babu Pramatha Nath Ghose, BA., Babu Nilkamal Bhattacharya, B.A., Babu Harish Chandra Sen, B.A., Babu Tarak Nath Sanyal, Pandit Nityananda Pande Vyakaranacharya, Pandit Hari Krishna Thatte Vykaranacharya. The College has 170 students, who completely filled the available accommodation, but the 15 rooms now opened give room for a largely increased number, if the financial resources expand to take them in. Attention was drawn to the distant places—ranging from Calcutta to Ajmere, from Aligarh to Tinnevelly—from which students had come. The Report of the Athletic department was also encouraging, and mention was especially made of the success of the young football team in the matches in which it had engaged. The Library has grown to some 4,200 books and pamphlets, and the Laboratory is prospering. The new buildings, begun on the 12th February, 1900, had gone forward so rapidly that they are ready for open-

ing, and they form a very handsome pile. Rs. 32,000 have been spent on them, and another Rs. 8,000 will be needed to complete them. The Boarding House which so far has cost Rs. 3,900 has been opened, and has a competent Superintendent in Dr. Nibaran Chandra Mukherji, who has given up a good medical practice in Calcutta to devote himself gratuitously to this work. The total of cash received during two years is Rs. 1,40,000, and the landed property held by the College is valued at over Rs. 87,000. The number of Local Committees has risen from 37 to 47, and all over the country individuals are working for the movement. H. H. the Maharajah of Kashmir has become a Patron of the College, and is subscribing Rs. 500 a month to it, and his brother, General Rajah Sir Amar Singh has also promised help and has already sent a donation of Rs. 1,000. This part of the work is summed up in the statement that notwithstanding the heavy demands on India by famine, plague and war, the College can show "a doubled permanent fund and a doubled property in land, buildings, furniture, apparatus and books." After a distribution of prizes and addresses by Mrs. Besant and Mr. Principal Dr. Richardson, the new buildings were officially opened and the meeting adjourned.

COL. OLCOTT'S NEXT TOUR.

As at present arranged, the President-Founder will sail from Colombo for San Francisco, *via* Hongkong, Japan and the Hawaiian Islands, by the steamer "Sachsen" (the same one on which he went to Europe and returned) on the 11th January. To do this he will have to leave Adyar on the 7th, and therefore must hurry home from Benares. Correspondents who wish their letters to reach him later than the 3rd or 4th of January should address him in care of Alexander Fullerton, Esq., 46, Fifth Avenue, New York City.

ANNUAL ELECTIONS AT BUENOS AIRES.

The President and Secretary of the Ananda T. S. of Buenos Aires (South America) officially report to the President-Founder the following result of the election for officers held in July: *President*, Mr. C. H. Baly; *Secretary*, Senor Carlos M. Collet; *Treasurer*, M. E. Coudray; *Librarian*, Sr. E. Bonnicel. The Branch is in a prosperous condition and sends cordial greetings.

The Secretary's address is: Casilla de Correo, 1277.

Mr. HARGROVE IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The Ernest T. Hargrove, one of Mr. Judge's most active co-adjutors in the Secession movement, for sometime President of the (Seceded) Branch at New York and, later, a follower of Mrs. Tingley, has not been crowning himself with laurels in South Africa. The correspondent of the (London) *Standard* writes to that paper about the "Sensational disclosures" made on overhauling the letters and diaries of M. Van Kretchmar, Managing Director of the Netherlands Railway Company, of Natal. Bribes, some very heavy, were given lavishly to Boer officials and pro-Boer journalists. Among the latter Mr. Hargrove figures as follows in M, Van Kretchmar's evidence before the Government Commission which is now taking the evidence. Says the *Standard* correspondent:

"Hargrove, to whom the Company (for the Boer Government) paid £1,000, is the notorious English pro-Boer whose correspondence with Mr. Kruger was published in a Colonial Office Blue Book. He is also connected with the *South African News*, a Bond newspaper published in Cape Town. The German Government was represent at the enquiry by Counsel."

This is a sad downfall for a young man who was formerly so much esteemed among us, and we sympathise warmly with the honorable family into which he married a short time ago.

THE RUINED "TEMPLE."

The Nemesis of their own folly has overtaken the seceders who formed themselves into a group at Syracuse, N. Y. under the title of "The Temple." Its leader was a Mrs. La Due, apparently a hysteriac and certainly a morphiomaniac, who gave out esoteric teachings while "entranced," and claimed to be directed by a Master whom she called "Hilarion." Among her asso-

ciates was Dr. J. D. Buck, of Cincinnati, formerly one of our most influential colleagues and the principal backer of Mr. Judge's secession. The Syracuse *Evening Herald* of September 21st last prints a long communication from Miss Irene Earll, with copies of letters from "Hilarion" attached, in which she exposed the contemptible affair and makes grave imputations upon the character of "Blue Star," the trade-mark of Mrs. La Due. It is really pitiable to see how the various "Theosophical" societies which have sprung into being among the Judgeites crumble successively, leaving their promoters in a sad plight.

A GENEROUS GIFT FOR THE STARVING.

Mr. S. Imamura (P. O. Box 874), leader of the Japanese religious party at Honolulu, H. I. and an old member of our Branch Society in Japan, sends us Rs. 448, collected among the members of the Shin Shu sect in the Hawaiian Islands, for the help of the Indian sufferers from famine. The President-Founder will communicate with the proper authorities and ascertain how the money may best be applied. Meanwhile, he thanks the generous donors with all his heart for this mark of Buddhistic compassion for those who suffer. He expects to be able to thank them personally in February next, on his way to America.

SERIOUS LOSSES AT ADYAR.

Our usual run of good luck at Adyar has been of late interrupted: we have lost by death three horses and a pony, which leaves us with only one, nearly superannuated, pony to use. There are no available trams nor any omnibuses nor cab-stands within our reach; to get to a steamer we have to drive seven miles; the Printer's office is equally far; the two railway stations are respectively five and six miles distant; and near them are the shops with which we have to deal: the food-supplies are procured at the market, which is also seven miles away. Under these circumstances it is easy to see that if we should have no horses we should have to stop at home, for in this tropical heat walking is not to be thought of. Miss Palmer's Pariah schools are distant several miles from Adyar and she requires the constant use of a conveyance; the Head-quarters staff equally need one; the *Theosophist* Manager must also have his own vehicle, and the steward, like every other one in Madras, has to have a pony and cart to fetch supplies. All the losses of our animals occurred within one month and seem to have been due to some passing epidemic; however that may be, the concrete fact is that the Head-quarters fund has a loss of £50, or $250, to make up as speedily as possible. A trifling sum for three horses and a pony, yet a very hard one to make up out of our always scanty resources. No one will accuse us of the habit of begging, and even now we do not ask any one to help us out of our little difficulty, but only mention the facts and let our colleagues act as seems best to them.

THE BENARES CONVENTION AND ADYAR MEETINGS.

Mrs. Besant has chosen the following subjects for her four morning lectures at the joint Convention of the Theosophical Society and its Indian Section, at Benares, December 27, 28, 29 and 30:

ANCIENT IDEALS AND MODERN LIFE.

Lecture I. *Education.*
" II. *Temples, Priests and Worship.*
" III. *The Caste System.*
" IV. *Womanhood.*

She informs me that, meanwhile, she will make the following short tour: December 3-5, Arrah; 5-7, Chapra; 7-9, Gorakhpur; 9-11, Lucknow; 12-14, Lahore; 14-16, Faridkot; 17, Aligarh; 18, Cawnpur. Then back to Benares.

Miss Lilian Edger, M. A., has cabled me that she will comply with my wishes and give the desired lectures at Adyar on the usual Convention days, December 27, 28, 29 and 30, though she has not yet been able to put me in a position to announce her subjects. It needs no assurance, however, that they

will be both helpful and instructive. It is extremely obliging in her to thus forego the anticipated pleasure she expected to enjoy at Benares, and I hope that her South Indian friends will prove their appreciation of it by attending. Mr. T. Ramachandra Iyer, Retired Sub-Judge, and Mr. J. Srinivasa Row, of Gooty, our beloved old friend, have most kindly consented to take charge of the physical comforts of Indian visitors, while Miss Weeks, P. S., will look after non-caste guests. As announced last month, the Adyar meetings will have no official character, being simply arranged for the pleasure and profit of our Mofussil members, who are accustomed to visit the head-quarters at Convention time.

OUR TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AT NEW YORK.

Mr. Alexander Fullerton, General Secretary of the American Section, having notified the President-Founder of his intention to hold a meeting on the 17th of November to commemorate the twenty-fifth birthday of the Society at New York, and requested him to send a short address to be read on the occasion, the latter complied by sending the desired paper and, on the 17th November cabled the following message: "Brotherly greetings to all assembled colleagues and sympathisers. Courage, hope, fidelity, self-sacrifice, brotherly love, cultivate."

THE PARIAH SCHOOLS.

The success of the experiment of trying to educate and uplift the poor Pariah children of Madras is, month by month, becoming more evident. Thanks to Miss Palmer's practical management and the aid of the clever Pariah teachers she has drawn around her, the problem of developing the mental capacity and moral sense of her little pupils has passed out of the experimental stage. We now know that, not even the terrible social pressure under which these outcastes have been trampled, can stifle the inner potentiality for mental and psychical activity. Those few generous souls who have sent in money to help on the movement ought to be very happy on reading the subjoined figures. Up till now three schools have been opened *viz*: No. 1, the "Olcott Free School," founded in 1895 at Urur; the "H. P. B. Memorial Free School," founded in 1898 at Kodambakum; and the "Damodar Free School," founded in 1899 at Teynampett. All occupy buildings and grounds of their own in the suburbs of Madras—bought out of moneys given by friends—save the first-named which is on leased ground.

The results of the examinations recently held at two of these schools are given in the following tables:

OLCOTT FREE SCHOOL.

4th Standard;	No. presented, 7;	No. passed, 1
3rd "	" " 10	" " 8
2nd "	" " 18	" " 16
1st "	" " 21	" " 13
Infant "	" " 29	" " 24

Average percentage of passes in this school, 83.

The present total attendance is 126.

The examination at the Damodar Free School has not yet been held. The present attendance is 111.

H. P. B. MEMORIAL SCHOOL.

3rd Standard;	No. presented, 5;	No. passed, 5.
2nd "	" " 13	" " 13
1st "	" " 8	" " 6
Infant "	" " 11	" " 9

The average percentage of passes being 89, Fourteen pupils eligible for Grant Examination were unable to be present, owing to the prevalence of cholera and other diseases, in the vicinity. Present total attendance 122.

Another school is to be started in Mylapore as soon as the building is completed, on the property purchased. This is a work of compassion. Who else will help it.

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HEADQUARTERS FUND.	RS.	A.	P.
Mr. C. Sambiah Garu, Mylapore	3	0	0
Lala Hari Krishen Dass, Lahore	12	0	0
Mr. W. B. Fricke, General Secretary, Dutch Section T. S., Amsterdam, 25 per cent. £10-0-0	148	12	11
Scandinavian Section T. S., 25 per cent. Dues £26 13-1 ..	399	13	0
LIBRARY FUND.			
Mr. C. Sambiah Garu, Mylapore	3	0	0
An F. T. S. of Burma, subscription for November ..	50	0	0
Mr. A. Schwarz, Colombo	30	0	0

PRESIDENT-FOUNDER'S TOUR FUND.

American Section T. S., through Mr. A. Fullerton.			
Discretionary Fund	$150	0	0
Convention Appropriation	100	0	0
Mr. and Dr. Burnett	50	0	0
Dr. A. G. Henry	50	0	0
Alexander Fullerton	45	0	0
Mrs. H. I. Dennis	25	0	0
Miss M. Pfender	5	0	0
White Lotus Lodge	5	0	0
Mrs. Eliz. Hughes	4	0	0
Mrs. E. G. Mayberry	2	0	0
Total..	$436	0	0

=£90-1-8=1,351-4-0.

ADYAR, MADRAS,
20th December 1900.

T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,
Treasurer, T. S.

NOTICE.

The General Secretary of the American Section finds it necessary to state to members of the Indian Section that he does not keep a book-shop, that he has no relations with dealers, and that he undertakes no commissions as to books or other matters. All arrangements concerning sales need to be made with T. E. Comba, 67, 5th Ave., New York, the Theosophical Book Concern, 26 E. Van Buren Street, Chicago, Ill., or "Messenger" Publishing Office, Odd Fellows' B'd'g., San Francisco, Calif. Any books sent to the Gen. Secy. for sale will hereafter be retained until postage for their return is received, or, in default of it given away. No commissions of any kind can be attended to. Letters on other business than that of the Gen. Secretary's Office must be sent direct to the parties attending to such business. Moreover, letters on business with the Gen. Secretary must be prepaid at foreign postal rate, not at the domestic rate of India. Much trouble and disappointment will be averted if this very distinct notice is carefully conformed to.

ALEXANDER FULLERTON,
General Secretary.

THE GRAND LAMA.

His Holiness, Tehainsin Oorooltooeff, the Grand Lama of the Buddhists of East Siberia, who was recently received by the Czar, and is now slowly returning home *via* Vladivastok, is in Ceylon. His first question on meeting the Russian Consul was whether he knew one Colonel Olcott, who had compiled a Buddhist Catechism. He said he was known all throughout Siberia, and he, the High Priest, was most anxious to see him. When he was obliged to leave for Anuradhapura with the Russian Consul, he expressed his strongest regret not to be able to wait to see the Colonel. The latter's disappointment was, of course, far greater, but as the next best thing he set to work to arrange for a Public Meeting to be held at Widyodaya College on the Grand Lama's return, and the adoption of a sympathetic address, to be signed by Sumangala, Subhuthi and the other Chief Priests of Ceylon, expressive of their hope that brotherly relations may be in time established between the Northern and Southern sections of Buddhism.

The Colonel distributed prizes, and made the usual speech, at Ananda College on the 10th January. On the 11th he sailed for Japan.

NEW BRANCHES.

On December 10th, a charter was issued to the Forest City T. S., Cleveland, Ohio with 9 charter-members; on December 17th to the Heliotrope Lodge T. S., Helena, Montana, with 10 charter-members; on December 18th to the Boston Lodge T. S., Boston, Mass., with 7 charter-members. The President of the Heliotrope Lodge is Alpheus B. Keitle, the Secretary is Mrs. Katherina N. Moore, 47, S. Rodney St., Helena, Mont. The President of the Boston Lodge is Mrs. Emily A. Partridge, the Secretary is Mrs. Grace Van Dusen Cook, Box 219, Needham, Mass. There are now 76 Branches in the American Section.

ALEXANDER FULLERTON,
General Secretary.

THE LATE RAI BAHADUR R. SOORIA RAO NAIDU.

A correspondent of the *Madras Mail* writes:—It is with deepest pain that I have to record the death of Rai Bahadur R. Sooria Rao Naidu. Without the least shadow of doubt he was one of the most upright, impartial and straightforward officers that Government has ever had. He took a very great interest in the study of Theosophy. Self-development, self-purification and altruism shown alike to friend and foe were his prominent characteristics. He lately gave a series of elaborate lectures on Theosophical subjects, and thus gave every encouragement and support to the Theosophical Branch here. In general, he encouraged every literary and religious movement. The relatives of the deceased have our sincere sympathy.

THE BUDDHIST CATECHISM IN BURMESE.

Orders for the above should be sent hereafter to the Rangoon Branch of the T. S., 59, Sparks Street, and *not* to 43, Phayre Street, the old address which was given in our December issue.

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HEAD-QUARTERS FUND.

	RS.	A.	P.
Arthur A. Wells, Esq., General Secretary, European Section, T. S., 25°/ₒ Dues from 1st May to 31st October £1-12-6 ...	774	6	0
A Bombay firm, for horse purchase	30	0	0
Babu Bolanath Chatterji, do	10	0	0
Indian Section T. S., for travelling expense of P.T.S. to the last Convention	100	0	0
Mr. C. Sambiah Garu, Mylapore, subscription	3	0	0
Alexander Fullerton, Esq., for horse purchase	29	13	0
Mr. Knothe, do do	6	0	0
Alexander Fullerton, Esq., General Secretary, American Section, T. S., 25°/ₒ Dues from 1st May to 31st December 1900. Cheque for £27-10-3	406	12	11
C. W. Sanders, Esq., General Secretary, New Zealand Sec., T. S., 25°/ₒ Dues for 2nd half of year 1900, £1-15-6 ...	26	10	0

ANNIVERSARY FUND.

	RS.	A.	P.
Amount collected through Mr. V. C. Seshachariar ...	394	0	0
Mr. J. Srinivasa Rao, Gooty, Donation	3	8	0
Mr. R. T. Tebbit Sivatar, Annual Dues for 1901	15	0	0

LIBRARY FUND.

	RS.	A.	P.
An F. T. S. of Burma for December 1900 and January 1901 ...	100	0	0
Mr. C. Sambiah Garu, Mylapore, for do ...	3	0	0
An Australian F. T. S.	4	0	0

PRESIDENT'S TOUR FUND.

	RS.	A.	P.
A Friend	200	0	0
A Friend	100	0	0
Dr. Edal Behram, Surat	50	0	0
Mr. P. D. Khan, Colombo	75	0	0

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20th February 1901.

T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,
Treasurer, T. S.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

"The Story of Religion in Ireland;" by Clement Pike: presented by Rev. John Barron. "El Materialismo y el Espiritualismo," from the Luz Branch T.S. "Report on the Revision of Settlement of the Karnal District;" Archæological Survey of Western India, Vol. VI., on "The Muhammadan Architecture in Gujarat;" "The Sharfix Architecture of Jaunpur;" Lists of Antiquarian remains in the Central Provinces and Berâr; Do. in the Nizam's Territories; "The Bower Manuscript," Part II., Fasc. I. and II.; Reports of Archæological Survey of India, Vols. XIX. XX. XXI. XXII. XXIII. and Index.

THE "WEST COAST SPECTATOR."

We are glad to notice that the Editor of the *West Coast Spectator* is pleased to publish an occasional article in explanation of the principles of Theosophy. If more of our Indian editors would follow his example and that of the Editor of the *Indian Mirror*—the valiant "defender of the faith—" much good might result therefrom.

NEW BRANCH, AUSTRALASIAN SECTION.

A Charter to form a Branch of our Society at Launceston, Tasmania, has been duly granted, to Elizabeth Worth, M. W. Noble, H. E. Webb, Richard Worth, Elizabeth Petley, G. C. Jackson, Esther Lithgow

A. MARQUES,
General Secretary.

BRANCH DISSOLVED, EUROPEAN SECTION.

The Wandsworth Branch has returned its Charter, the members having decided to dissolve the Branch.

ARTHUR A. WELLS,
General Secretary.

OUR PANCHAMA FREE SCHOOLS.

BEGINNINGS IN INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

The marked success which has attended the establishment of the Olcott Free School, and the two other schools which have since been founded under the same supervision, is worthy of notice, and shows how eager the Pariahs are to have their children educated. The increase in attendance has been quite remarkable during the past six months and indicates that provision will have to be made for accommodating many more pupils than were at first expected. The parents of these children much prefer to send them to schools where no attempt is made at proselyting. The children are docile, studious and eager to learn, showing that they are ready to take a forward step in the path of evolution, and that the efforts which are being made by a few people, in their behalf, are by no means wasted, but, on the contrary, are supplying a great and growing need. If our readers could only see the bright, eager faces of the children who attend these schools, I am sure their sympathies would be awakened, and they would feel *anxious* to do something to aid this movement. The upkeep of these three schools is attended with considerable expense, as thirteen teachers are at present required and others will be needed as soon as the fourth school-house, which is now in process of erection, is completed. One hundred pupils are in readiness to attend this school as soon as it opens.

In addition to instruction in the usual branches, some attention is being paid to industrial education. A class in Book-binding is held weekly, in which thirty-two of the larger boys, and several of the teachers, are being instructed by a practical Book-binder from Madras, in this useful art. The girls in the schools are carefully trained in needle-work, and in cutting and fitting their own garments. The older pupils are also trained in practical cookery.

The morals of the children are not neglected. At the Olcott Free School there is a very large weekly attendance at the Sunday-school, where Miss Palmer (the talented American Lady who is devoting all her energies to the needs of this long-neglected class of people) tells an interesting story having a useful moral, thus instilling correct principles into the minds of the pupils, which will help to mould their future lives. A great work has been undertaken; it is rapidly growing and needs assistance. Is it to be left to suffer for lack of aid? Shall we who are constantly receiving help from superior beings, withhold such aid as we are able to give, from those who are below us? Who will respond?

W. A. ENGLISH.

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MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following receipts from 21st February to 20th March 1901 are acknowledged with thanks :—

HEADQUARTERS FUND.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Babu Upendranath Basu, Benares, General Secretary, Indian Section, Theosophical Society, 25% Dues for last quarter 1900	579	0	0
Alexander Fullerton, Esq., New York. Donation for purchase of horses	14	13	0

LIBRARY FUND.

An F. T. S. of Burma	50	0	0

ANNIVERSARY FUND.

A friend, through Mr. V. C. Seshacharri	15	0	0
Mr. J. Jayaram Chetty, Madras, through Mr. V. C. Seshacharri	5	0	0

The sum of Rs. 3/8 credited last month as collected by J. Srinivasa Row, should have been credited as collected by V. C. Seshacharri. The total collections to date by Mr. Seshacharri amount to Rs. 417-8-0.

ADYAR,
20th March 1901.

T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,
Treasurer, T. S.

THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR.

The President left Colombo on January 11th, on the S. S. *Sachsen*, of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, touching at Penang on the 10th, Singapore on the 17th and Hongkong on the 23rd. Shanghai was reached on the 27th and Nagasaki on the 29th. The weather during the whole time was pleasant. The Steamer had lost a day at Singapore and Col. Olcott feared he would miss his connection with the Pacific mail steamer, but, by leaving the *Sachsen* at Kobi and travelling by train to Yokohama, he caught the boat, the ill-fated *City of Rio de Janeiro*.

Our latest advices from Col. Olcott are from San Francisco, where he arrived on the 25th of February, a day sooner than expected.

The first news he received was of the wreck of the steamer ' Rio de Janeiro," on which he had come from Yokohama to Honolulu, and left her to proceed on her way. More than one hundred lives were lost, including those of the Captain, First and Second Officers, and others of the company's servants, and also nearly all the agreeable and intelligent passengers with whom the Colonel had passed such pleasant times during the transit of ten days from Japan to the Hawaiian Islands. This was the saddest experience he has ever had in his travels. At the same time he could not help seeing the Guiding Hand which had arranged for him to be spared the necessity of proceeding on from Honolulu to San Francisco by the ill-fated vessel in question.

The week the Colonel passed at Honolulu was full of activity, and rich in results. Our little band of devoted colleagues, composing the Aloha Branch, has been greatly strengthened and encouraged by contact with the President, and, as usual, he has converted all he has met into personal friends. On leaving he was almost buried in floral wreaths and garlands of a sweet smelling vine peculiar to the Islands.

His transit from Honolulu to San Francisco on the steamship "Coptic" was very agreeable, and his reception at San Francisco has been quite enthusiastic. On the evening of February 27th two or three hundred members and well-wishers, gave him a welcome at the charming Hall of the Golden Gate Lodge, T. S., which had been tastefully decorated for the occasion. An informal speech of welcome was made by Mr. W. J. Walters, the President, and replied to by the President-Founder in moving terms. He was then kept busy for an hour or two receiving the personal greetings of old and new friends.

His first public lecture was to be given at Metropolitan Temple on the subject of "Theosophy, Religion, and Occult Science." Another public reception was to be given him at Oakland, a suburb of San Francisco, where our valued and beloved friend, Mr. A. F. Knudsen, is diffusing his own devotion and energy into a local group; a public reception on the evening of the 2nd of March; a lecture to the Japanese, through an interpreter, at their Temple, on their religion, was to be given on Sunday morning, the 3rd, and another lecture on "Buddhism" to the general public at the same place, and on the 7th a lecture at Oakland on the "Rise and Spirit of the Theosophical Movement," were already booked.

Mr. Fullerton had laid out a program filling up the Colonel's time with visits along the Pacific coast, in the Territories of Montana and Wyoming, British Columbia, and the States of Minnesota, Colorado, and Nebraska, up to the meeting of the American Convention at Chicago on May 26th. The program from Chicago eastward was to be arranged later. It was expected that his whole American tour would be finished by August, when he would be free to take the steamer down to Buenos Aires, in South America; from there coming home by way of Europe, the Red Sea and Colombo.

He is doing all that lies within his power to get home some time in November, so as to have ample time for preparations for the next convention, which he expects to be one of exceptional importance.

The following route program is copied from Mr. Fullerton's memorandum:

"From San Francisco, California, to Los Angeles, Cal.; San Diego, Cal.; San Francisco, Cal.; Sacramento, Cal.; Portland, Oregon; Tacoma Washington; Seattle, Washington; Vancouver, B. C.; Seattle, Washington; Butte, Montana; Helena, Montana; Sheridan, Wyoming; Minneapolis, Minnesota, (where he is to stop May 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th, among Miss Palmer's old friends and colleagues); Denver, Colorado; Lincoln, Nebraska; and Chicago, Illinois.

The Colonel writes in terms of warm praise of his kind hostess at San Francisco, Mrs. Hotaling, who is showing him every kindness and proof of good will. Among other notable things done she has presented him with money to replace the horses which recently died at the Adyar Headquarters.

Happily he preserves his robust health and high spirits, and looks forward enthusiastically to the results of his American tour.

NEW BRANCHES, EUROPEAN SECTION.

A Charter was issued on February 25th, to Mrs. Passingham, Miss Wheaton, Mrs. Bernard, Mrs. Pengelly, Mrs. White, L. A. D. Montague,

Mrs. Snodgrass, J. I. Pengelly and Mrs. Lake, to form a Branch of the Theosophical Society at Exeter to be known as the Exeter Branch.

ARTHUR A. WELLS,
General Secretary.

AMERICAN BRANCHES.

San Lorenzo T. S. has reconsidered its wish to dissolve and will retain its charter. Mercury T. S., Brooklyn, N. Y., has surrendered it charter, and the charter of the Indiana T.S., Indianapolis, Ind., has been cancelled by the General Secretary and the Branch suppressed. On February 12th, a charter was issued to the Wachtmeister T.S., Washington, D. C., with eight charter-members. The President is Mrs. Anna M. Jaquess, 423, 8th St., S. E.; the Secretary is Mrs. Katherine Glenn, 16, 2nd St., N. E. There are now 76 Branches in the American Section.

ALEXANDER FULLERTON,
General Secretary.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

From the Government of India, *Archæological Survey of India, New Series,* Vol. II.; *The Moghul Architecture* of *Fathpur-Sikri,* Parts 1-4; Revised lists of *Antiquarian Remains in the Bombay Presidency;* "*Yajusha Anâhitagni Paitrimedhika Prayoga,*" in Telugu, 2 Vols., from Messrs. C. Sambiah and V. V. Seshiah. From the Bombay Branch T. S.: *A scientific exposition of purity of thoughts, words and deeds as taught in Zoroastrianism* (Humata, Hukhta and Hvarshta); *Progress and Renovation; The soul after death; The Mazdian creed; The holy Sraosha,* by Mr. N. D. Khandalvala, B.A., LL.B.; *Frashokard and Re-birth,* by Mr. N. D. Khandalvala, B.A., LL.B.; *Laboratory dangers,* by Sarah S. Gostling; *Zoroastrian ceremonies; Zoroastrianism and Re-incarnation; Primitive Mazdayasnyan teachings,* all in English; and the following in Guzarati: *Gems of the Avesta,* by a Zoroastrian Lady; *The three paths; An account of the life of the Emperor Kaikushro of Persia, in the light of Theosophy,* by a Zoroastrian theosophist of the priestly class; *Some mysterious matters in the Vendidad* (the need of the knowledge of theosophy); *The guardian of advice,* by a Zoroastrian; *Good thoughts, good words and good deeds, in the light of Western science and Theosophy; The Theosophical Society, its founders, its members, its Zoroastrian members;* an explanation of objections and misapprehensions existing against them, by two members of the T.S. *The Zoroastrian ceremonies; The worship of Fire; Dangers of suicide; The Astral Light,* by N. F. Bilimoria; *Cherâg* (the Lamp), a monthly religious magazine, by N. F. Bilimoria (one issue).

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HEADQUARTERS FUND.	RS.	A.	P.
Mr. Alexander Fullerton, New York, Donation towards horse purchase	14	13	0
A friend do do ...	1	0	0
Through Mr. A. Fullerton do ...	2	15	0
Mr. Alexander Fullerton, General Secretary, American Section, T. S., for 25 °/₀ Dues from 1st January to 1st March 1901, Cheque for £40-7-4 @ Rs. 15 per £ ...	605	8	0
Mr. C. Sambiah Chettiar, Mylapore, Subscription for February and March 1901	3	0	0
LIBRARY FUND.			
An F. T. S. of Burma, Subscription for March 1901 ...	50	0	0
PANCHAMA E. FUND.			
A friend for a special purpose	300	0	0
An European F. T. S., cheque...	1,500	0	0

ANNIVERSARY FUND.

The total amount collected of the sums subscribed in December 1900 has been acknowledged in *Theosophist*. By request we subjoin a detailed list of subscribers.

	Rs.	A.
1. Chittoor Branch through Mr. C. M. Doraiswmi Mudeliar, Pleader ...	10	0
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47. Toki Venkatapati Naidu ...	5	0
48. U. Venkata Row ...	10	0
49. D. B. Venkata Subba Row...	5	0
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53. T. N. Ramachandra Iyer ...	10	0
54. T. V. Gopalaswami Iyer ...	5	0
55. T. Ramanujam Pillai ...	8	0
56. J. Jayaram Chetty, Madras...	5	0
Total Rs...	417	8

The following gentlemen, who were kind enough to promise to pay toward Anniversary Fund, are requested to send in their subscriptions as early as possible :

	Rs.	A.
1. Bangalore Branch through Mr. N. P. Subramania Iyer	20	0
2. Bezwada Branch through Mr. Seshagiri Row ...	5	0
3. Chittoor Branch through Mr. C. M. Doraiswami Mudeliar, Pleader	5	0
4. Coimbatore Branch through Mr. S. N. Ramaswami Iyer, Pleader ...	10	0
5. Dr. Jagannatha Raju ...	3	0
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28. Venkasami Rao, Chittoor ...	1	0
Total Rs. unpaid	162	8

T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU.
Treasurer, T. S.

ADYAR, MADRAS, 20*th April* 1901.

THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR.

Success attends the President's work at San Francisco, as it did at Honolulu. The press has published a number of notices of his lectures, and audiences numbering from 1,000 to 1,500, according to the state of the weather, have attended the latter.

They have a custom at San Francisco of holding public "quiz" meetings at the Branch's rooms ; in other words, meetings for the propounding of questions to be answered by the person in charge. It will not surprise his Indian friends to hear that the meetings held by Col. Olcott have been great successes, nor that the interest in them increased from week to week. At the last meeting heard from the hall was packed.

The suite of rooms occupied by the "Golden Gate Branch" is as well appointed as the rooms of any branch that the Colonel has ever visited. The meeting-hall has at one end a fixed stage, or platform, with a semi-circular front like the one at Adyar, and a very pretty pipe-organ for use at musical entertainments. Life-sized portraits of the best known leaders of our movement hang on the wall, and at one side there are extensive book-cases for the Branch library. Adjoining the hall at one end is a very neatly kept bindery and small printing-press, and at the other a private office for Mr. Walters, an archives room, and a nicely laid-out room for the compositors that set up the magazines-the *Messenger* and the *Golden Chain*. The rooms are in Odd Fellows Building, a large structure on the principal street, and in a conveniently

central locality. The considerable sum needed for the fitting-up of the rooms, including the press and composing room expenses, together with a large share of the rent, has been given by one generous member, whose private means are as large as her unselfish impulses are strong.

Following are some remarks made by the Rev. Nishijima, of the American Buddhist Mission, San Francisco, on March 3rd, 1901 :

"The O. and O. liner, "Coptic," brought to this City on the 25th ult., from the East, one of the best known personages of our times, the President-Founder of the Theosophical Society, Col. H. S. Olcott.

"He was most cordially greeted by a crowded assemblage, composed of members of his Society and sympathizing friends, at the Society's Headquarters in Odd fellows Building. Beyond doubt he will be similarly welcomed throughout the whole country, for his name is known throughout his native land.

"It was, of course, the duty of the Theosophical Society to welcome Col. Olcott as children welcome a father and mother, and we also, as Buddhists from the Orient, feel it our duty to welcome him as father and mother of this Buddhist Mission in America. Do you ask, why ? I will tell you. My friends, Col. Olcott has done what we Oriental Buddhists of Japan could never have done, and so we cannot forget the debt we owe this venerable brother, nor fail to be for ever grateful for his services. He is an American Buddhist who has been working for over twenty years to revive Buddhism in Ceylon and Burmah, and who in 1889, when invited to come to Japan, came and actually revived the sleeping religious spirit of our Japanese Buddhists.

"Moreover, the establishment of the Theosophical Society throughout the world has done a great deal to strengthen the religious and intellectual ideas of the western people, so that now the people of the Occident are getting broader views with regard to religion, and the spirit of tolerance is expelling from many minds the old feeling of unreasonableness and uncharitableness. The grand motto of the Theosophical Society, "There is no religion higher than truth," is calculated to make western people willing to hear about Buddhism, and to study its doctrines; whereas, they formerly looked upon us Orientals simply as heathens, the ignorant followers of an ignoble faith.

"Thus, while Col. Olcott created in the Japanese an appreciation of their religion, and a wish to spread its teachings in foreign lands, he has also been preparing the western mind to receive them dispassionately, smoothing the way for this first mission ever sent out to foreign lands in the history of Japanese Buddhism.

"May every blessing be his."

Colonel Olcott has to thank Miss Agnes White, of the Buddhist Mission of San Francisco, California, for the gift of a silver Mexican coin so small as to be compared with nothing except the tiny chakrams of Travancore State.

The Colonel left San Francisco, for Southern California on the 19th March, after a three-weeks' visit of a most successful character. At his farewell lecture the large hall in the Odd fellows Building was crowded to the doors and many stood up. He received warm thanks from many people for his clear expositions of Theosophy and the Society. Mr. A. F. Knudson, so well known and affectionately remembered at Adyar, has decided to accompany the Colonel to Buenos Aires and thence to England, should nothing unforeseen happen. Colonel Olcott received the most generous hospitality from Mrs. Hotaling, F. T. S.

DEATH OF M. GILLARD.

We are sorry to hear from Paris of the death of our long esteemed friend and colleague, M. Paul Gillard, President of Le Disciple Branch T. S., of Paris, after a somewhat lingering illness.

M. Gillard was a very earnest and convinced Theosophist, and for a number of years has been one of the main-stays of Commandant Courmes and Dr. Pascal. At the present stage of affairs in our French Section earnest and unselfish workers, like him, can ill be spared.

INDIAN BRANCHES.

The following Branches have been chartered in India since January 1st, 1901 :—

Branches.	President	Secretary.
Jammu ..	Diwan Amar Nath ...	Bhai Dan Singh.
Bapatla ...	V. Kuppusawmi Aiyar, M.A....	V. Venkatadri, B.A.
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Malkalmuru, Aska ...	K. V. Gopal Rao ...	K. K. Ramalingam.
Berhampore ...	V. Challapathy Rao ...	B. Viyganna Pantulu.
Sompet ...	M. Ramadoss Pantulu ...	K. Jagannadham, B.A.
Bombay Dharmalaya, T.S. ...	......	Gajanan Bharkarvaidya.

NEW BRANCH AT ROME.

A Charter was issued March 25th, 1901, to Mme. A. Ulrich, M. Caniglia, A. Mazzerelli, L. Mangosi, A. Lancia, A. Veneziani and L. Piattelli to form a Branch of the Theosophical Society at Rome, to be known as the Besant Branch.

Arthur A. Wells,
General Secretary.

UNPAID LETTERS.

Col. Olcott is extremely annoyed at being obliged to pay exhorbitant double charges on letters sent him to America during the present tour, by persons who do not take the pains to find out what is the rate of letter postage between India and the United States. On such a letter, which contained a request for an entirely personal favour, there was a stamp of 1 anna, which was the proper postage for Great Britain, but to America it should have been 2½ annas, and he had to pay on it 15 cents American money, or nearly 8 annas. When letters are thus addressed to persons who cannot afford to squander money, a great injustice is done, and he asks friends in India who wish to write to him, or any other person in America, to put on a 2½ anna stamp.

A lady in Russia, a member of a group of earnest students of Theosophy, writes us of the difficulties they meet with in their study and speaks of her great desire, as the member of the group with the fewest ties, of coming to India to learn for herself, from teachers here, in order that she may help them. But she is without means and must secure a position as teacher, either in a family, school, or as daily governess. She says of herself: "I know Russian, French, German ; Italian only practically, and English enough, as you see, to give the required explanations to teach the languages I know." Should any of our readers learn of a suitable position, we would be glad if they will let us know.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

Latin Composition and Syntax; Tutorial Latin Grammar, by Hayes and Mason; *The Century Book of Gardening*, 7 parts, pp. 1 to 158, incomplete; *A'ryabhágavata* (Sanskrit) unbound; *Cáma Memorial Volume; Descriptive Catalogue of the Calcutta Sanskrit College*, Nos. 12 and 13.

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HEAD-QUARTERS FUND.

	RS.	A.	P.
Mr. P. Nanjunda Naidu, donation	3	0	0
Mr. C. Sambiah Chettiar, Mylapore, subscription	1	8	0
Arthur A. Wells, Esq., General Secretary, European Section, T. S., for 25°/ₒ Dues for 6 months from 1st November 1900 to 30th April 1901, cheque for £35-4-1. at Rs. 15 per £ equal to	528	1	0
H. A. Wilson, Esq., General Secretary, Australian Section, T.S., for 25°/ₒ Dues for the year 1900. A cheque for £ 14-18-11 at Rs. 15 per £, equal to	224	3	0
French Section, Theosophical Society, for 25°/ₒ Dues from January 1900 to April 1901. A cheque on National Bank of India, Ld.	301	10	5
Through Mr. Alexander Fullerton for horse purchase ...	2	15	0

LIBRARY FUND.

An F. T. S. of Burma, subscription for the month of April 1901.	50	0	0
Mr. C. Sambiah Chettiar, Mylapore do	1	8	0

ADYAR, MADRAS, 20*th May* 1901.

T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,
Treasurer, T. S.

THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR.

A Los Angeles F. T. S. asks us to print the following report of Col. Olcott's work in that city:—

All whose good Karma has enabled them to make the acquaintance of Col. H. S. Olcott, will agree with me in declaring that the *Theosophist* is not large enough to contain half that should be known of so grand a character.

Col. Olcott arrived in Los Angeles, March 20th, and was tendered a reception by Harmony Lodge. In reply to an address of welcome the Col. gave a sketch of the work accomplished by the T. S.

March 21st, the Col. answered questions from 3 to 5-30 P.M. and in the evening lectured on "Buddhism." March 22nd, from 2 to 5-30 P.M., Interviews; and 8 P.M., answered questions: March 23rd, from 2 to 5-30 P.M., Interviews: 8 P.M. lectured on "Theosophy in the World's Religions." March 24th, the Col. attended the Golden Chain, and won the heart of every child present. In the evening the Col. lectured to an audience of about 700 people. March 25th, at 2 P.M. the Col. presided at a special Branch meeting, and addressed a very large audience in Pasadena; in the evening returning with some friends to L. A. about 11 P.M. but even then he denied himself a much needed rest, in order to answer a number of letters. As a worker the Col. was indefatigable, as a friend the truest and gentlest, as a leader he stands alone.

No Theosophist ever won the good will of the press in Los Angeles as thoroughly as the Col.

Col. Olcott left for San Diego, March 27, but the effect of his visit will remain for many a year.

Words are inadequate to express our appreciation for the service Col. Olcott has rendered the race.

May the Masters ever guard and protect him is the sincere wish of Harmony Lodge.

STELLA P. MICHELSEN.

We are constantly receiving letters from friends, telling us of the great good our President is doing the members personally, and of the impetus given to the work of the Society. The following quotation from a letter will show the general tone:

Col. Olcott is here three days ahead of time. On Wednesday night he was given a reception, and I must say it is a long time since we have been so enthusiastic. What is it that that man carries with him? He said very little, and yet every one was brimming over with good feeling and spirits. He is certainly the personification of love and good-fellowship.

In the 'Ancient Wisdom,' 2nd chap. on 'Reincarnation,' page 225, old edition, it says: "When the buddhic body is quickened as a vehicle of consciousness the man enters into the bliss of non-separateness --knowledge and ultimately wisdom is the predominant element of the Causal Body, but the predominant element of consciousness of the buddhic body is bliss and love.'

When I read that, and after seeing our two great leaders lately, and soon enough, so that one was able to compare, I know where to place them. Mr. Leadbeater is the scholar, the man of learning and the man of certain powers, but our President is the man who has "entered into the bliss of non-separateness." He asked us to look upon him as a father; to come to him if we had any troubles; to open our hearts, and he would try and help us. He did not come to teach and answer questions about the infinite, but to know us and have us feel the love and tenderness that was in his heart for all of us, and for every living creature. He wanted no introductions; all were his children, the most unworthy were the nearest. Every one in the room was touched to the heart, and felt the greatness and simplicity of this gentle soul. He had *something* when the Masters chose him out of all the people in the world to help H. P. B.

I appreciated Mr. Leadbeater and his knowledge more than I can tell, but this great soul is one who can appreciate human weakness and sympathise with human failings.

Our latest advices are from Portland, Ore., and Seattle, Wash., where the President is having crowded meetings. Col. Olcott writes us that the estate left him, in the latter place, for the use of the Adyar Library, is very valuable and the Executors hope soon to begin to realise on it.

NAME OF BRANCH CHANGED.

The name of the new Marseilles Branch, in France, has been changed from Ana-Bai to Sophia.

AMERICAN BRANCHES.

The Charlotte T. S., Charlotte, Mich., has dissolved and returned its charter. On March 29, 1901, a charter was issued to the Des Moines T. S., Des Moines, Iowa, with 19 charter-members. The President is Bernard R. Hale; the Secretary is John M. Work, 522 Good Block, Des Moines, Iowa. There are now 76 Branches in the American Section.

ALEXANDER FULLERTON,
General Secretary.

INDIAN BRANCHES.

Two Branches were chartered in India in March last—the Kârkal T. S., and the Pârvatipur T. S.

"WHITE LOTUS DAY" AT ADYAR.

(From a Correspondent of the *Madras Mail*).

Last night [May 8th] the Headquarters of the Thesophical Society presented a very picturesque appearance. The platform upon which the statue of Madame Blavatsky is placed was decorated with evergreens, ferns, and festoons, and beautiful wreaths of the white lotus adorned he statue itself, which, lighted from above, looked very striking.

Mr. V. C. S'eshâchariar, B.A., B.L., was voted to the Chair, and among those present were Miss Weeks, Miss Palmer, and Messrs. B. Panchibikesa Sastriar, B.A., B.L., C. R. Krishnamachariar, B.A., B.L., B. N. Chandik, T. Simhachariar, D. B. Venkatasubba Row, B.A., A. Siva Row, B.A., S. V. Rangaswami Aiyengar, B.A., A. K. Sitarama Sastrigal, of Cuddapah, V. Seshia Garu of Masulipatam, Dr. Jagannatha Raju, Pandit G. Krishna Sastri, C. Sambiah Garu, T. Vijiaraghava Charlu, and P. K. Ramuni Menon.

In opening the Proceedings, the Chairman referred to the absence from the Adyar of Colonel Olcott, the venerable and venerated co-founder, and Dr. English, the Recording Secretary of the Society. He observed that the White Lotus Day had become a regular function year after year in all the Theosophical centres, and it was incumbent upon all true Theosophists to pay homage and do honour to the memory of the deceased lady who, for a great many years, had worked at the Headquarters at considerable personal sacrifice in the service of humanity. In accordance with the wishes expressed in the last Will and Testament of the deceased lady, the Chairman then called upon Pandits Krishna S'astri and Krishnamachariar to read selections from the Gitâ. After the chanting of the Gitâ was over, Mr. S. V. Rangaswami Aiyengar read portions of Sir Edwin Arnold's "Light of Asia."

Several of those present spoke of the great work of the Society which was achieved during the past quarter of a century, and expressed hope for the mighty future yet before it. Miss Weeks quoted statistical figures and showed that Theosophy had spread over 42 countries of the world. She said that all organisations were more or less short-lived, and the longevity of particular institutions depended upon the internal strength which was infused by their promoters. Speaking of the Theosophical Society, she ventured to express the hope that it would be a very powerful factor in human evolution, and it would become day by day more acceptable to the Western philosophers and scientists also.

Mr. S. V. Rangaswami Aiyengar referred to his long association with the Society, and mentioned several instances in which individual members had done an immense amount of solid good work after imbibing the great teachings of the Society.

Mr. T. K. Sitarama Sastriar of Cuddapah, also spoke of the good work done by various members of the Society and to the immense growth of Theosophic literature all over the world. He requested the members present to realise the responsibility which rested on them and to do all that lay in their power for the furtherance of the work of the Society.

In conclusion, the Chairman referred to the large personal self-sacrifices that were made by several European ladies and gentlemen who had devoted their time, energy, money, and life to the great work of the Society, which started its beneficent career a quarter of a century ago. He paid a tribute to the unflinching perseverance of the President-Founder and the solid and substantial work done by Mrs. Besant, who had made India her home and Indian interests her own. He referred particularly to the Central Hindu College, Benares, which within the short space of its existence had shown such splendid results. He requested all present to join with him in invoking the blessings of the sages and saints for the prolonged good work of the Society in its various branches.

The distribution of a pamphlet, entitled "Conquest of the Flesh," by Jehangir Sorabji, brought the proceedings to a close.

THE ORIENTAL LITERARY INSTITUTION, CONJEEVARAM.

The Council of Directors of the above named Institution beg leave to offer the following for the consideration of the public :

The Oriental Literary Institution, Conjeevaram, was founded in 1896. We believe that its career—short though it has been—justifies this appeal to the public for sympathy and support on behalf of a National cause.

More than our Schools and Colleges, Newspapers and Magazines, the platform is an effective means for the diffusion of useful knowledge among the masses of the people.........To institute, therefore, courses of popular lectures in the Vernaculars, on useful subjects, is as much the object of this Institution, as it is to open Ayur Vedic schools and dispensaries ; to procure and print great works yet in manuscript ; to open n digenous schools to work on national lines, somewhat like Mrs. Annie esant's Benares College ; to open Industrial Schools, etc.

Attention is also called to the following appeal:—Modern researches testify amply to the fact that the sacred and the philosophic literature of the East is a vast store-house of ancient wisdom.

The political history, past and present, of India; its present low state of material prosperity; the gulf that divides the English-educated Indians from their fellow-countrymen, most of whom are sunk in ignorance; the rapid and most deplorable extinction that has been going on of the class of Pandits deeply learned in Sanscrit and the Vernaculars; the long time that must necessarily elapse before the new class of scholars shall come into existence, adding to the deep scholarship of the East the critical and scientific study of the West; the difficulties, almost insuperable, under which only deep, original and extensive researches into the Indian philosophic and sacred literature can be carried on in these days—these and many other circumstances make it the duty of the enlightened public, as it is the prerogative of the wealthy amongst them, to give what sympathy, support and co-operation they can, to movements whose object it is to revive the enlightened study of the Vedas; to rescue good old books now perishing, from total extinction; to print and publish them; and to adopt measures to bring into harmony, as far as may be, the ideas of the East and the West—The Conjeevaram Oriental Literary Institution aims at achieving these objects.

For this National cause your patronage is solicited.

The "Madras Mail" under date July 27, 1899, remarks:—

The Oriental Literary Institution of Conjeevaram endeavours to revive an enlightened study of the Vedas, to rescue good, old books now perishing and publish them and to adopt measures to bring into harmony, as far as may be, the ideas of the East and the West.

This movement, it is hoped, will have the sympathy and co-operation of enlightened Maharajas, Rajas, Zemindars and other gentlemen. Donations of money and of books (in any language) will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged.

The best wishes of *the Theosophist* are offered for the continued success of this Institution.

C. BHASHYAM AIYANGAR, B. A.,
Head Master, Chittur High School;
Secretary, Oriental Literary Institution, Conjeevaram.

"MAN AND HIS BODIES" IN TAMIL.

It is with pleasure that I hear of one Theosophical book after another being translated into the various vernaculars of India, spreading abroad in ever-widening circles, the beneficent influence of the ancient Brahma Vidya, now known as Theosophy. May the blessings of the Gods accompany every message of their truth, spoken by the feeble lips of their servants, among the humblest of whom is

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Mr. C. Sambiah Chettiar, Mylapore, subscription	1	8	0
General Secretary, American Section T. S., 25% dues from March 1st, to 30th April 1901, for £ 24-3-7 at Rs. 15 ...	360	4	2
Indian Section Theosophical Society, 25% dues for quarter ending 31st March 1901	554	14	0

LIBRARY FUND.

The First Payment of the White Estate bequeathed for T. S. Library. Cheque for £ 101, cashed by Madras Bank	1,502	4	0
An F. T. S. of Burmah, subscription for May 1901 ...	50	0	0
Mr. C. Sambiah Chettiar, Mylapore, for do.	1	8	0

ANNIVERSARY FUND.

Mr. A. Singaravelu Moodeliar, Bangalore	20	0	0

PANCHAMA EDUCATION FUND.

Rt. Hon. The Earl of Mexborough £ 3-3	46	9	2

ADYAR, MADRAS,
20th June 1901.

T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,
Treasurer, T. S.

THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR.

From Seattle, Colonel Olcott went to Tacoma, Wash., and Vancouver, B. C.; the latter place being the northernmost point of this year's tour. In both places he had large and enthusiastic audiences, and met many persons during the day for private conferences. Starting eastward, our President visited towns in Wyoming, Montana and Dakota, receiving the hearty welcome of the Americans and the love and veneration of the members of the Society for their head. From the Helena *Evening Herald*, of April 30th, we quote the following: "Many persons who attended the lecture last evening, of Col. Henry S. Olcott, were led to look upon the Eastern philosophy in a new light. To them Theosophy now has a different meaning than it did before the gray-bearded philosopher expounded it." From all points we receive word that Colonel Olcott's simple and lucid explanations clear away the difficulties and make Theosophy appear in its true light—rational and at the same time soul-satisfying. A Lincoln, Neb., paper says: "A decided interest is being taken by citizens of Lincoln in Theosophy." From Denver, Colo. comes a similar report. In Minneapolis, Minn., a large reception was

given in his honour on May 14th. He gave several public lectures in that city and in St. Paul, all of which attracted much attention and had very fair reports in the papers. On May 23rd, the Colonel arrived in Chicago and on the evening of the 25th, a reception was given him at which some 250 members and friends were present. The next morning, 26th, the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the American Section of the Theosophical Society was convened. A partial report of the proceedings will be found in another place.

NEW BRANCHES.

A Charter was issued on May 28th to D. M. Dunlop, R. A. Vennor Morris, A. P. Cattanach, Miss S. O. Nilson, James Stirling, Mrs. Vennor Morris and F. R. King, to form a Branch of the Theosophical Society in London, to be known as the Battersea Branch.

ARTHUR A. WELLS,
General Secretary.

NEW BRANCH IN INDIA.

A Correspondent writes: A branch of the Theosophical Society was established in Mangalore on the 23rd ultimo, at a meeting held at the Bandar of Mr. N. Manjunathaya, under the Presidency of Mr. J. W. Boys, Agent, Bank of Madras. The following office-bearers were elected:—President, Mr. J. W. Boys; Vice-President, Mr. G. Seshagiri Prabhu, B.A.; Secretary, Mr. M. Upendra Pai, B.A., B.L.; Assistant Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. H. Srinivasa Row.

AN APPEAL.

Shillong Indian Club Rooms,
... ... *Shillong (Assam).*
The 30th May 1901.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:

With a view to attract the Indian public here to Theosophy, a Theosophical Section was added in 1898 through the efforts of some members, to the General Library of the "Shillong Indian Club," which is a literary institution established in 1876 and has ever since been catering to the literary tastes of the Indian public of Shillong. The institution is a properly constituted one, and its status is recognised by the Assam Government, which supplies it regularly with the *Assam Gazette* and other official publications, free of cost.

The Club was located in the "Quinton Hall," the only public hall of this town, which, after its restoration since the memorable earthquake of 1897, was destroyed by fire on the 12th January 1900. This catastrophe involved the destruction of almost all the property (including the valuable library) of the Club. The work of the Institution has, however, again been resumed with books mostly presented by the members and other liberal-minded gentlemen. The library has been located in the "Quinton Memorial Hall" just constructed, with corrugated iron roof. The Board of Control will feel grateful if the Theosophical Section of the Shillong Indian Club Library, which before the fire, was rich in the possession of the principal works of Madame Blavatsky, Mrs. Besant, and other well-known Theosophical writers, could again be resuscitated in a decent way. As the Institution is in sore straits, it has only been able to just buy the Theosophical Manuals; and as for some time to come the General Library will absorb the almost entire attention of the members of the Club, funds cannot be provided by them for the Theosophical Section. The Board have accordingly bid me issue this appeal, and I have undertaken without the least hesitation to comply with their request, especially because I am convinced that the existence of a decent stock of Theosophical works will, by dint of the

intrinsic worth of the truth enshrined in them, and on the economical principle that supply creates demand, inevitably make for the spread of Theosophy to the infinite benefit of the public of this town. I therefore, beg to solicit help in furtherance of the object in view, and trust that you will donate books or money, or render such other substantial help as might enable the Theosophical Section of the Library to be a model Theosophical Library in Assam. Should you see no objection, we propose that 75 per cent. of the money contributions from you, if any, be spent on the acquisition of Theosophical Literature, and the balance, on the purchase of standard works on Buddhism and Hinduism. Contributions will be received by me and duly acknowledged in the *Indian Mirror*, the *Theosophist* and the *Prasnottara*. With kind wishes and brotherly regards.

I am, yours fraternally,
SATYENDRA KUMAR BOSE,
Joint Secretary to the "Shillong Indian Club."

WORTHY OF EMULATION.

We learn from our Indian exchanges, that the Maharaja of Travancore has founded two scholarships, open to natives of Travancore who are Bachelors of Art, of the Madras or any other University. The scholarships are intended to enable the holders to proceed to Europe or America to study geology, mineralogy, mechanical engineering, agricultural chemistry, or any other industrial or technical subject. The successful candidates will be given all travelling expenses and will be allowed, during their stay in Europe or America, a sum of £200 per annum, payable quarterly in advance. The object of these scholarships is to encourage technical education.

This action of the Maharaja is highly commendable, and it is to be hoped that other Indian Maharajas will follow his noble example.

"A TARDY CONFESSION."

The following from *The Bengalee*, will be appreciated by our Indian friends :

At the recent anniversary meeting of the Church Missionary Society, the Secretary had to make a melancholy statement. In his Report he observed that "there was a marked revival of zeal in the devotees of the old religion, and the weaknesses of native Christians were at times the sorrow of Missionaries. The Missionaries would have been more than human if they had not been unnerved at the sight of the Hindu revival. The most thoughtful among the Missionaries already perceive that the diffusion of education has well-nigh annihilated evangelising prospects in India. We do not know what the Secretary refers to when he laments the "weaknesses" of Native converts. If he means the convert's new-born propensity for relapsing into the faith in which he was born, we are not sure whether we should not call it "strength" rather than "weakness." The convert, who had embraced Christianity not so much to satisfy the cravings of his conscience as to satisfy his hunger, soon finds out that by changing his religion he has not appreciably improved his prospects. He heartily rues the day which placed him beyond the pale of his own community and longs to be re-admitted to the society of his own people. The Arya Samaj has provided a golden bridge for the re-admission of such converts to Hinduism ; and the progress of this *Shuddhi* or purification movement tolls the knell of the parting Missionary Propaganda. Observant Missionaries fully realise the real state of things ; but they console themselves with the thought that the deluge will come after them and not in their time. Meanwhile they are thankful for famine—that most powerful auxiliary of the Missionary force—and for such stray wanderers from the Hindu fold, as chance occasionally casts in their way. No wonder that the Society should have to

labour under the serious disadvantage of a deficit of £40,000. John Bull's faith in the propaganda seems to have already been considerably shaken. The stream of sixpences and sovereigns seems to have almost run dry. But perhaps the substantial accession to the number of converts, caused by the last famine, will not be without its effect upon the supply of the sinews of war. One generous donor contributed, we note, £10,000 on the spot.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

Purchased :

Anandasrama Series, Nos. 41, 42, Parts I. to III., & 43; Old Diary Leaves, Second Series; Sabdendu Sekhara (lithograph edition); A compendium of Râja Yoga Philosophy.

Presented:

" The Seventeenth Annual Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology," 1895-96. " The report of the Madura Theosophical Society for 1900." " Report on the search for Sanskrit MSS. during 1895 to 1900," by Haraprasad S'âstrî, Hony. Jt. Philological Secretary, Asiatic Society of Bengal. " Notices of Sanskrit MSS.," second series, by Haraprasad S'âstrî, of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, Vol. I., Part III.

" Mysore Govt. Oriental Series," Nos. 23 and 24; " Mâdhaviya Dhâtuvrittih;" No. 25, " The Principles of Pravara & Gotra," by Chentsal Rao, C. I. E.; " Adi Purâna of Pampa, Kannada," No. I., Yogaratnâkara (Medicine), Telugu and Canarese Translation, Part I.

Catalogue of Sans. printed works, 1898; Catalogue of English works, 1900; Catalogue of Sans. MSS. 1900; Catalogue of MSS. and printed works in Canarese, 1898, all in the Mysore Government Oriental Library: Chândogya Upanishad, Part II., published by Mr. V. C. Seshâchari.

Periodicals :

S'âstramâlâ, No. 20.
Kâvyamâlâ, Nos. 151 & 152.
The Pandit, Nos. 5 & 6.
The Chowkhamba Sans. Series, Nos. 37, 38 & 39.
Vidyodaya, Nos. 1 & 2.

Our thanks are due to Mr. M. D. Shroff, of the Blavatsky Lodge Bombay for copies of the following works translated into Gujarati :

" The Story of the Great War." " The Path of Discipleship " " The three Paths." " Dharma and Hinduism." " Doctrine of the Heart.' " Bhagavad Gitâ." " Subodha Patrika." " Chromopathy."

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T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,
Treasurer, T. S.

NEW BRANCHES IN INDIA.

Guntakal.	*Chartered.*	
(By Jagannathiah) ...	1-6-1901.	*President*—M. V. Mooni Swamy. *Secretary*—B. Soondaram Pillay.
Peddapuram. *Krishna T.S.*	*Chartered.*	
(By K. Narayana Swamy).	1-6-1901.	*President*—C. Seshayya. *Secretary*—S. Velu Mudaliar.
Nadiad.	*Chartered.*	
The Gopal Krishna T.S.	3-6-1901.	*President*—Lallubhai P. Parekh. *Secretary*—Ramsingh Devisingh, Thakore.

SMALLEST BOOK IN THE WORLD.

At a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Havens, on the eighth ultimo, says a Chicago paper, Colonel H. S. Olcott was made acquainted with a number of Professors in the University of Chicago, members of the medical fraternity and some of the leading divines. The entire evening was spent in discussing the logical and scientific aspects of Theosophy. Colonel Olcott gave to Mr. C. Staniland Wake, of the Department of Anthropology, Columbian Museum, a copy of what is known as "The smallest book in the world," a duplicate of which he presented to the British Museum. It was given to Colonel Olcott by the custodian of the Golden Temple at Amritsar, India. Colonel Olcott also presented to the Field Museum a nest of diminutive wooden boxes made at Benares on a turning lathe of the most primitive description, the smallest box being only one-eighth of an inch in diameter, yet having a cover that fits it perfectly.—*Madras Mail.*

"CHRISTIAN MISSIONS IN INDIA."

Mr. Isaac Jackson wrote to the *Pioneer* last year concerning Christian Missions in China, and was advised by the missionaries, to study the subject of Foreign Missions more carefully, before attempting to again enlighten the public on this matter. He now writes to the *Pioneer* that he has "taken this advice," and proceeds to let in a good many rays of light on the question of Foreign Missions, and finally says that "all the statistics given below are taken from reports issued by the Missionaries themselves." We have space for only a few extracts from the lengthy article on "Christian Missions in India." Concerning the report of the Church Missionary Society, it is stated that the "Baptisms for the year" ending 31st March, 1900, were 8,423, of whom 5,978 were children! It does not say whether these were "*without their parents*" or not; but, setting aside the children, there remain "2,445 adult conversions as the fruit of the labours of 3,018 Missionaries." "In the previous year's report (1899) the number of communicants was returned at 33,804. Adding to this, the 8,423 baptisms recorded in the report for 1900, the number should now be 42,227, whereas the actual figures are 35,640; thus registering a loss of 6,587. This would reduce the net gain—including children and adults—to 1,836 as the result of the labour of over three thousand Missionaries and an expenditure of £113,631—an all-round cost of over £60 per convert, without reckoning the money raised and spent locally." Speaking of the work in Bengal, he says: "Last year there was a staff of 443 agents who received from England over £15,000. During the twelve months they baptised 101 adults and 554 children—one adult convert to every four missionaries." Further on we read: "At Bellary, after 90 years' work and with a present staff of 46 agents, there are 166 Church members, an average gain of less than two per year, while there is an actual *decrease* from 172 to 166 members during the past four years. Last year the 46 agents baptised 15 adults and children out of a population of 736,000."

Again, "In Madras there are 201 Church members after 70 years' propaganda with a staff of 63 Missionaries. 'There are distinct signs of progress' is the cheering statement in the report for 1900 (p. 164), and the only evidence of its presence is that the Church members have dropped from 221 in 1896, to 201 in 1900." Some of these 'converts' above referred to, are gathered in from other missions and re-baptised, it is stated. There is much more of the same sort given in the article in the *Pioneer*.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

The "Science of the Emotions;" "Vaidika Dharma Sûtrâni," by Swâmi Datta Das; "The Funeral ceremonies of the Parsees," their origin and explanations, by J. Jamshadji Mody; *Transactions of the Asiatic Society of Japan*, of Japan, Vol. XXVIII.; "Pâpanâs'a Sthula Purâna;" "Prasnottara Mâlika," in Malayalam characters.

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Chicago.—Secretary, Chicago Theosophical Society, 26, Van Buren St.

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